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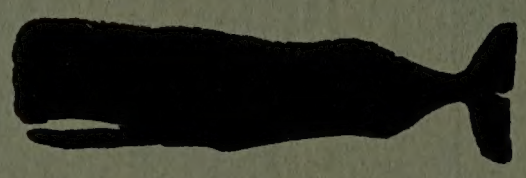

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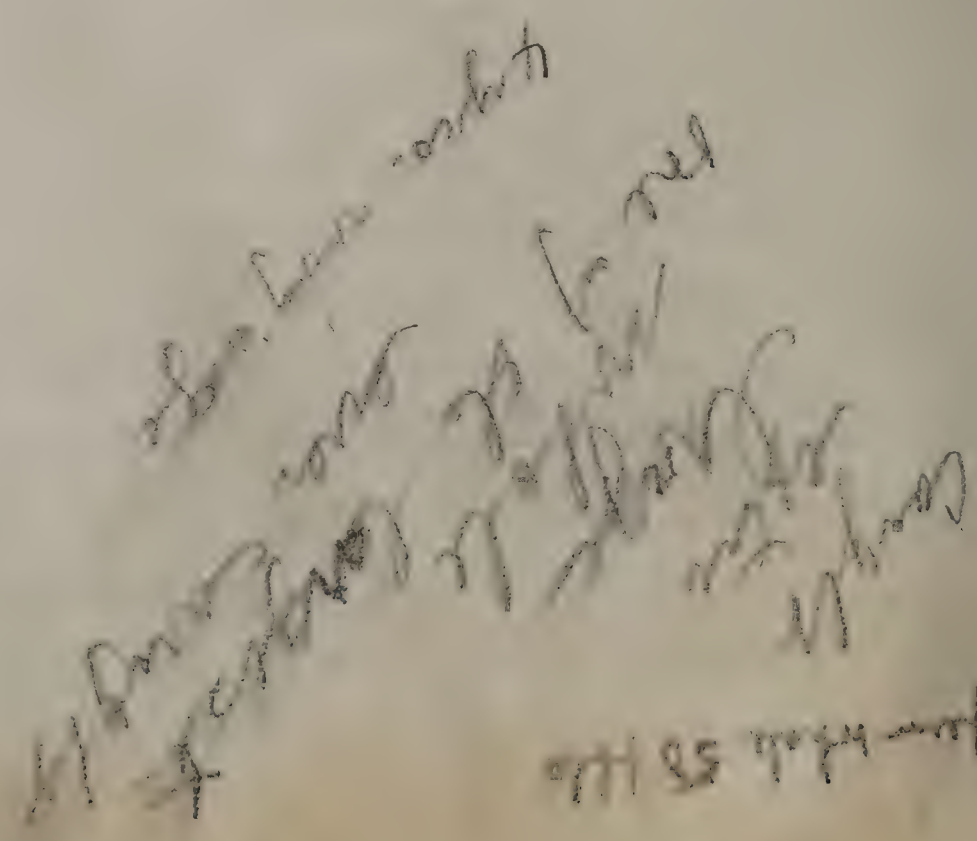

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Log of the Ship Williamson

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at 5.30 having all hands on board got under way with a fine breeze from the North West at 11.30 A.M. the Pilot left us at 12 reached the mouth of Buzzards Bay and passed out to Sea. Mess. Pickney and Cushman the Cabin Green Hands were all sick by the time we made out to Sea there Ship mates and three men the Old Sailors were all Blue before we left Buzzards Bay

Thursday October 20 Continued fine Breezes from ~~the~~ North West Stowing North all hands briskly engaged in stowing casks and fitting Whale lines at 8 P.M. passed No Mans Island distant by ~~Chronometer~~ Elimation 12 Miles. Got Altitudes on the Chronometers and found them correct Strong Breezes during the night [illegible] Mr. Pickney and Mr. Cushman the Mate Mr. Ellendale Mr. Young and the Mate were some pretty busy times Thus Day [illegible] Lat. 37.10 N. Long. 68.51 by Chronometer

Friday Nov. 21 —

Fresh Gales [illegible] North in the Topgallant sails double reefed the Ship passed a great Quantity of Weed saw a sail to the Leeward Pilot to Sea at 6 P.M. all the sailors were employed [illegible] the main hatch [illegible] all ready to shift over when we reached the fishing Ground saw a great Many Land Birds many of them perched on our rigging. Nearly dead tired and Bated running in all directions were all usually engaged in stowing away everything [illegible] Lat. of Observation 38.25 N. Long. Observation 68.10 W.

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[illegible] Lee [illegible] Strong
[illegible] Lee [illegible] Strong
[illegible] near [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] from [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
friends in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] — [illegible] a chowder
from her Sow bent Top mast and
a hair top Gallant Stuntsail Mr Rennick
not quit over the Hoorrors yet getting better
on small pieces thinks he won't live longer
but it is only a little hitch of the Blue
Lat 38. deg N. by Account Long 62.30 W.

Sunday October 28.

Moderate Breezes from the
S.W. Moving [illegible] by [illegible] Great Number of
Gulls Mr Lee [illegible] a great Many land birds
were continue very busily at Whale yes-
the sick seems getting better fast most of
them were able to eat their allowance to-
day, find the Carpenter to be a great
booby, Bill Smith thinks the living
not good days he had butter and
Chees every day at home, the Wind halled
round to South gradually during
the Night, latter part of the day double
reefed the Topsails, Lat by Obs 38. 42 N.
Long by Chron 58. 12 W.

Sick better count up to reef Topsails to
day for the first time a little bungling
could not make a reef knot, but
got on very well after all, poor
Bill Smith still thinks about
his butter and Chees. & rest

[illegible] Harbor

[illegible] I [illegible] attend the [illegible] showing up that [illegible] Took Baltimore for the first time. Had a hearty dinner and talk Religion with Carpenter on the drive. Who is a Member of the Church. I found fault with Cly' Beef and having milk, Chops for breakfast that article being rather scarce in this part of the Country. The Carpenter seemed to be thankful for what I had done & would come to Salt Lake yet but was very melancholy says.

Monday October 24

Wind still at the north blowing a fresh breeze, close reefed topsails, fore & main topmast sails well on the wind all hands getting well and building Coffins in the Lee on the Profits of the Trip, poor Fools Counting Chickens before they are hatched Bill Smith says if he makes 200$ he be blowed if goes whaling again but will settle down farming — I wish he may get it — The Poor Carpenter says he would give all the Profits of his Trip if he were only on Terra Firma once more

Latter part of the fine weather wind veering round to the S.S.W. Set all sail, Slemmick is fright-ened the poor thinks he is going to die, but I tell him he is worth ten Dead Men yet he forgets all the rest that men came off to Sea Lake It is a most unaccountable fact that Sailors never can tell what is the matter with them If you ask them, they will scratch their heads and don't know sir, but I have got a kind of feeling here, they will always place their hand on their belly — a common complaint — Lat 38. 38 S

Long. 035. 40 W

Journal of Ship William Thompson

Sunday October 23 1842

This is the first fine day we have had since we left, the weather is quite Calm, there is a number of Black Fish but did not trouble our heads about them, A Calm day at sea is not Pleasant after all it brings a great many melancholy reflections with it, if you have committed a fault in leaving your friends or home it is impressed on your mind more on a Calm day than any other for we poor Creatures require to keep moving, something to occupy the mind, but away with sad thoughts we must not look on the gloomy side of Picture A. Whale a Whale the Kingdom for a Whale — Wind dead ahead, unpleasant weather, not much doing on board to day Saw a great quantity of Sea Weed

Latitude 38..11 N.
Long by Chron 54..18

Wednesday October 26 42

Time not the cares we left behind, Beloved one, the Dearest Charlotte E. Thy memory still lingers around me whether I am on the deck, bed, asleep or awake Thy Image hangs around me wherever I am I am dish, yet belong to this world but the gods have selected me from among many to undergo all the hardships the days have been banished from the light seem ages, Oh that I could look on the one more, if I was supplied with the wealth of Kings would give it for an interview from thee, when first we met

[illegible] I hope long for I am much the health may be benefited for I swings in your hammock [illegible] a different tale, I then pass [illegible] than life rather. You view a mere shadow [illegible] from the proper subject [illegible] to pursued as these are not fit for a Ships Journal but it is an old saying with sailors that what is in must come out — so it is with me. These extracts from A. E. reading E. & P. E under double reefed Topsails [illegible] ship to-to-ward heading to the N.

Concluded by Obs 36 a 41
Longi [illegible] 5 p.m. 1574

Thursday October 29

Continues fresh gales from N. E. heading to the E. & N. E. under double reefed Topsails the boats are all ready for hoisting we are all ready in anticipation any man is wishing for a fight of any kind, just to try what he can do the most uncomfortable piece of work I have seen since I came on board was to day, it was John S Hawley cutting up Duff he sat in state surrounded by tubs pans of various dimentions there was three large Duffs to be devided into twenty parts he had a supernumary who took care of two Duffs while John cut up the other, the aforenamed Gentleman not being over and above particular took them up in his hand and put them up on his dirty pants to keep standing young pigs from sticking their paws in as he turned them, into the Duffs there was a good deal of cursing about that, for this Chap having the legs in fine

[illegible] supremacy [illegible] the [illegible] the command [illegible] enjoying at the sport [illegible] good as a farce to me.

Latitude by Obs 37..13
Long. by Chron 52..42..45

Friday October 28

Strong Gales from the S. heavy sea, the William Thompson a very wet Ship, not much doing on account of the bad weather, wore at M. to the S. S.E.

Latitude by Obs 38. 8
Long. " Chron 51..50

Saturday October 29

Wind blowing from E. N. E. Sea running high, Got a Lunar Obst. this morning for the first time, Nothing is talked of but Whales and blubber If they are half so brave when we have something to do as they are at preasant we will fill our Ship in a Short time we have killed at least fifty in anticipation Wind hauled round to the N. this Morning we are Sailing about 9 nots—
No. bluber — No Whales —;; Oh My;;

By particular Request, Lord help us	Long. by Lunar Obs	50.43 W.
	Do. by Chron	51.. 3 W.
	Latitude by Obs	37.. 9 N.

P.S. We sent John Hawley and Timpralima to reeve Top G. Studding Sails, we had a hearty laugh at the many blunders they committed

Journal of Ship William Thompson

Sunday October 30

Fine breses from the N. Sailing about eigh Knots, we have Sailed over 200 Miles to the Eastward to the in the last 24 hours Spent most of the day in Cleaning up the last weeks dirt, Talked about Religion with one of the Officers who is by the byson of the latter day Saints, or in other words a Mormon Nothing of any account took place on board to day it being Sunday Even on board a Whale Ship it is a place of rest from the toils of the week it is spent in various ways Some in praying others in Singing and Filling Yarns their seemes to be less praying than anything els— So passes a Sunday at Sea No Whales yet Oh My

Long by Chron 46.. 22
Latitude by Obs 36.. 00

Monday October 31

Beautifull weather fine day, but no Whales, Oh my what horror there is in that little word, there was a false alarm to day, but it turned out to be not quite O. K. Got a little Mad to day but the remembrance of her on yo home all my earthly hopes depend topped it in the bud, Passed a brigg today a 11 A. M. outsailed her in a few hours, All Our Officers are professors of Religion Our Male is a very sedate Man and if he is as religious as he is fat I think there is no doubt, but he will go right off to Heaven as a whale hits him with his Flukes

Long by Obs 42.. 42 00
Latitude by " 34.. 46

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of P. & ale table and no, cider, not one square
meal yet weather very unpleasant a little
rain, fine breezes from the N. E. towards
the latter part of the day squally steering
N. E. by E. took in occationally the T. G.
yallant sails, Cook came aft to day
to say he could no cook provisions
enough for the Crew, we have at least
half a doz. on the sick list If he
cannot cook enough now what will
he do when the are well

Long. by Chro 40.. 9 W
Latitude by Obs 33.. 41 N

Wednesday November 2

This day was ushered
not by Dick Usher, but with dark cloudy
weather the wind gradually haling
to the Eastward at 6 P. M. heavy clouds
rising to the S. E. handed Topgallant
sails and singled reefed the Topsails
Nothing transpired of any Consequence
during the remainder of the day,
wind haloling round to the W.

Long. by Chro 39.. 20 W
Latitude by Obs 33.. 36 N

Thursday November 3—

Wind blowing a Gale
from S. S. W. frightful weather, Sea
running mountains high, close reefed
Topsails Nothing is more dificult than
to Navigate a Ship with a green Crew
and happen to be blessed with a
more than common set of Lubbers
It is most annoseing even in
a Storm to the Green ones running
in all directions but when they are
most wanted, you will find two
or three rotted together in deep Confab
Talking about their misfortunes

in general, and almost wishing out if
she had taken some friends advice
she would be sitting home now some
of the greatest cowards of the lot stopping
every body to ask them if there is any
danger yet, we had a very bad night
and almost lost our bow boat we
had a great deal of trouble with them ~~in~~
it being very dark and the wind blowing
at its hight John Hawley was thrown
over the wheel and hurt himself badly
At 2 P.M. the hauled to the W. S.W. took in
Topsail and Foresail very hard squalls
about this time, The William Thompson
lies too very nicely under close reefed Main
Topsail & and Spences carries a weather
Helm At 10 P.M. took in Main Spences
and found she layts much better
at midnigh black clouds rising from
the N.W. accompanied with sharp
Leghtning called all hands to stand
by to take in Main Topsail or whatever
might be required At 2 A.M wind hauled
to W.N.W. and reefed the Foresail and
kept the Ship E.S.E latter part of the
fine weather set all sail

Long. by Ch 37.20 W
Latitude by Obs. 18 S

Friday November 4

Wet sad to day talked
religion and things in general, have taken
poetry lately but it is no go got stuck in
the third line of the third verse, could not
get a word to rime with panting except
—— but could not put such windy
matter in a ships journal. I think
when a sailor takes to poetry it
is time for him to be put up with
care and ~~as~~ marked this side up
then thrown over the lee side

for his board and all the work he has should he will do well the only thing I think he is fit for is Carpenter to allarm cart or bottle washer to some porter Seller some such trades work well suit him best, Broke out to day for some Dyed Apples and some fine Pies

Latitude by Obs 33.. 6 N
Long. by Lunar 31.. 42 W
Do.. .. by Chr 31.. 42 W
Do.. .. New Chr 32.. 01 W

Tuesday November 8

Light breezes from S the weather is very fine, saw three sail to day going to N another false allarm to dampen our spirits, but these things cannot last for ever that one comfort, got the Blacksmith going to day and find him a good workman he says he can make any thing and anything, The Carpenter was all day making a cover for a Grindingstone he however done more than he promised for he botched it, got one of our boats hung from the stern

Latitude by Obs 32.. 40 N
Longitude by Lun 30.. 9 W
Wednesday November 9 .. .. by Chr 30.. 31 W

Wind fair at last that is some comfort indeed, saw a very large ship steering E. think she must be an E. Indiaman bound up the Straits. We are now gammoning day about false allarms. There was one to day it turned out to be another Pin fack Dick Wm swashed and shoved a day mad a great deal of slop and burnt the clothes, better luck next time. Saw a great many Porpoises and tried to get some of them

Journal of Capt William Brownlow

but could not [illegible] a fine Breeze to day and it agrees with Old Chronometer exactly we are now about 820 Miles from the Cape D Verds hope to be there in 14 & days, all hands are now well except Chittiff he thinks he has got the Consumption

Latitude - 31..44 N
Long. by Lun 28.. 29 W
Long. by Ola Ch. 28..37 W
Long. by New .. 29.. 00 W

Thursday November 10

Wind about the same that it is it is from the S. W. Legit breezes and beautifull weather never saw it so fine at this time about these diggings all things go on as usual except the Irish she has a mind to stay where she is I think Good deal of trouble around about my Shanty [illegible] they not quite E.K.) I have no help for this but may again, the Irish will not even on allowance to day, broke out and gave three molasses to the Crew for the first time a gallon a month per man

Lat. by N. Ch 28.. 10 N
Long by Lun 27.. 2[illegible]
Latitude 30.. [illegible]

Friday November 11

Nothing doing, no wind no whales, no albanies, either fresh or otherwise Eating and drinking go as usual, all hands are well except Chittiff the Irishfellow is bound for the land of Cains law a Ship this morning keeps in sight all day thing I fear will be the coming night talked of getting out the boats to day but did not on account of great sight of bruises admost out of flat on head winds Cloyt full we got a bad train in the boat, think it must be love or from other favorites felling. As Sam Weller says, Quotation from Pickwick

hope to have something better to-
morrow

Latitude 29° 22' S
Longitude 24° 00' W

Saturday Nov. 12.

This day commenced with light breze from S, and not much of that, a saw a Fin back very near the Ship to day they called it a Calf but O my Eye it was as big as 2 or 3 Cows in our Country I suppose it is what Jarmus would call a good sig. suckling — that was my opinion at the time I have often thought how long it took Jona to cut through his whale, if Fish were as big in those days as at present it must have taken some time

Latitude by Obs 28° 28' S
Longitude " Chro 27° 34' W

Sunday November 13

To day there was no wind done nothing in the sailling or Sporting line, Our patience is nearly worn out, but we must wait with patitude resignation so says the Cooper he being a Member, must be right, It being afternoon now and the wind having Change round to the S.E. we are going through the water in fine Stile, we have Got Quite an original, Mr Gifford he was telling a yarn last night he says he must get his harpoon hardned for he throwed it so swift that it turns the edg before it reaches the Whales — I came away then for I think it was time, Just as I am about to close and wind up with Long. and Latit. — O hear the Joyful Sound there the Blowes, there the Blows, Dreadfull commotion

my thing is bustle and hurry, boat stewes running in all directions looking for Oars & Rowlocks and Rowing once in fact, any thing that ought to have been looked to previously At last after considerable damage done to Shins and tumbling the boats were got ready and rowed away in very good Spirits, We took in the Flying Gib and backed the Main Yard, Every body was on the stook out from the Maintop Gallant Mast to Flying Gib boom but without success for some time but at last we heard it again by this time the boats were about a Mile off, After all our trouble and Labour it turned out to be D— Tin back, O My if I had the sitting of those boys, I would prevent them coming that game,

Latitude 26.. 45 N
Longitude 28.. 36 W

Monday November 14—

Delightful wind Splended weather and so forth, I had no Idea how wind affected Sailors before, Every body is in Good Humor, We got the Shades at last And Nothing more wonderfull still, Our Carpenter got the blind for the Cabin done allso, Your very Pure, too so requisite things happining on the same day, Steering S.by.E. and going about eight Knots, No allarms not even a Tin back broke out the pump to day like to keep things moveing, Nothing like keeping Sailors busy,

Latitude by Obs 25.. 16 N
Long. by Chr 28.. 36 W

Wind continues the same, The Snow indeed to be the Trade winds, we go along at 4 knots There is a great deal of talk about our stopping at the Cape de Verds, some think we are to the N, others to, S; some say we are going to stop and then again some say we are not This gives rise to a great many arguments on things in general, You may always hear Bill Smith's voice among the loudest Shittliff is poorly I think he will not survive many days longer hope we will not have to bury him at sea If we do he will be the First that I ever buried, got a Book case made to day Dick Usher and Myself undertook to garnish it off some, but after 3 hours hard labour we made one of the most horrid affairs ever I saw or child to give it a name I cannot, But if you have the most distinct idea of a mons Chidish baby clothed rugged off with Linnen Paper and Pink Calico you may form some thing like it After it was finished we had a hearty Laugh which I think repaid us for all our trouble Dick had a fine job in scribbling all the Pretty Papers off to-day

Longitude by c 27 Jul 1911
Latitude by obs 23 N 01 W

Thursday Nov 16

To day we took notice of the Change in the Water it is of a dark Greenish hue It looks like land we are now 190 Miles from the Islands hope to make them soon, If we don't it will be

[illegible] to the S of
Tarawa, the day has been, after foggy, thin
& cool [illegible] falling & suppose by
this time tomorrow we will be Looking out
for land. The weather is very warm, and
calling, light breezes, and plenty of Flying fish
saw some. Black Fish to day but did
not Lower because we had a fair Trade
wind

Latitude by Obs 20.40 N
Longitude Chro. 26.33 W

Friday November 17.

Made a good night's work of it sailed about 140 Miles Expect to land some time to day. The Cooper cut his leg very badly therewith an Adze The Carpenter bears his Fate with Christian Fortitude and what is more wonderful still, he growing Quite fat upon it, poor Shillitt is going worst all the time I hope we will make land so that he may have some chance for his life. Our Male who is quite a Doctor in his way, recommends him to Eat bread and Fat to make his Liver grow. In the Christian Country that I was brought up in, that would be called an Odd prescription, however every Doctor has his own way. No Land yet.

~~Latitude~~ 18.00
~~Longitude~~

~~Saturday~~

at 6. P.M. we made the long wished for Islands, Every body was delighted There is something very gratifying is seeing Terra Firma once more Even if we dont set our foot upon it. the weather was very foggy we did not perceive it untill we were

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within twenty miles, if it had been clear we would have seen it 50 miles distant we passed a number of Islands during the day among which were St. Vincent St Lucia Blanca Raza and St. Nicholas we all wished for some of the productions that had to Mrs Them Little Bud

Latitude 16.. 26 N
Longitude 24.. 50 W

Saturday November 19

Two hedges from H.C. going so finely, we thought a nasty place to be crossed, Islands particularly when it is foggy weather, we are running N.N.E. course Early this morning we saw Raza at about twenty Miles distant it seems to be a barren mountainous with rings, it is not a place where Love, Love to wander, and, now dear each are to the other, to quarrel and then make up again and seal all troubles with a kiss, No such Place is St. Lt is a place where Monkeys Love to wander I dont know wheather the Kiss Light and make Love like other white People, alas that remains in Oblivion, some traveler tell us the can talk but wont all I am astonished at that the Ladies Monkeys dont brake out some time or other

Sunday November 20

We are sadly situated to day, here we are becalmed within twenty Miles of our Haven, and what is worse there is no chance of our getting any wind to take us there, How very unpleasant, thinking of all the pleasure

we might have if only there, but better luck next time. The country about here is anything but picturesque that I know. Perhaps some may admire but I do not. It consists of barren mountains and uncultivated plains it appears to from what I have seen that nothing grows along the coast but I understand there are some fertile vallies where the Tropical fruits grow in great abundance. The weather is very warm and sulty. Some of the men went in to swim the morning the day is very pleasant.

Latitude 14° 54' N
Long. 23° 5' 8"

Monday November 21

In the the early part of the morning we caught a fine breeze and sailed down to Port Praya in fine style. and just as we were coming in we saw the Enterprise bearing on and off her cape being on shore getting fruit for his men, after a good deal of bustling the boat was let down and we went on shore. The first thing that met my eye was a great big nigger clothed in flesh lights; that is he was as naked as when he came into the world, The people here as far as I can judge are a poor, miserable half starved half clothed half fed half man half alligator set of thieves rascals. There are great quantities of all sorts of fruits such as Melons Lemons Oranges nuts of all kinds which they will trade for anything in the shape of food or clothes. The wind is blowing strong. Mr. William Thompson treats my thing

Journal of a Trip down the Chesapeake

in the Packet Boat Tuscarora got her freight stowed 4000 Oranges and we were getting ready to go on board and did have a fine breeze to this South side of Plum Island

Latitude 14 50 N
Long. 23 36 W

Sunset 8 miles to W.

Wednesday November 22
Captain Raymond

Come on board at Wind 12 to this Morning he was very pleased with the Cabin, and Ship, thinks the Anncthyst will beat us Benighted poor fellow little he knows of the Power of Bill Thompson He is now asleep of us about Hyannis he has Royals set Lower sails, some fine boy man Main his old Jib which he will suffer from at the Pumps when we are out of sight Lose 1000 strokes a minute Sec. trys hard he takes he flutters he gives he dies he's out of sight well there is no help for poor fellow the Dearest Friends must part Sly weather blowing a fine breeze from the N.E. going about 8 knotts, Always some thing to do repaired one Old Main topsail and stowed away all our Oranges

Latitude 12 41 N
Long. 23 18 W

Wednesday
Thursday N. 23 —
Strong breeze from N.E. going ten knots full. The unfortunate Annethyst is out of sight, got Old Bill Thompson upon a chip of the Old Block And No Mistake Our Mate Spoke of Duke Chaing and something about Jowing I done Myself but I might do now. but I did not think this Morning

[illegible] left Pitcairn Island [illegible]

[illegible] nothing more, but that, [illegible] from daylight till Dark there has been considerable Passing down [illegible] the 4000 Miles and not like leaving the Multitude where there were but a Handful of Inhabitants left. In this Instance there were nothing left but the Fowl and Butter of Fish. We have just hauled up and are now waiting for the Fowl to Moult, it is a Surprise to some Ship arrived, out of Bight and there have not been to Windward No Fish here but we intend to Leave, Noah to Gammon or come the Quiffe as we Never Are Long about to get a Sea Ware, in the Dealing and drinking line and as much information about our Friends affairs as possible That is what we call a Game at Sea,

Longitude 23.16 W
Latitude 9.34 W

Thursday Morning 8 o'c

Strong and fresh to strong as yesterday Running about 9 Knots Sometimes with Squalls, Rain & fogg, Wind Changing more and more Blowing the Trade Winds, Expect to Beat in all directions for four or five days at least Now that we have left the Islands, and all Application and all our Land, the next Land Which is Cape Horn is all the talk power and will be until we get there, we Hope this Wind is the Right Wind, the weather Lowering this Afternoon

Latitude 6.50 N
Longitude 23.00 W

Friday November 25

This has commenced with heavy rain from the N.E. quarter and unpleasant blows are from this in light breezes attending the same very cloudy here are, the Atmosphere is still in sight but we will keep to some time. We have some have another Crew we accounted of steal Left Each Day, Believing going ashore and Drowned I have quite forgot Bible but we have not seen one of them Bird for the three days But would kill yet

Latitude 6.15 N
Longitude 23.10 W

Saturday November 26

Light airs from the N.E. rain squalls occasionally in fact, wind blowing from all quarters, it is what is termed Paddy's Hurricane, a Sea, we Motion covered this boat for some Black Fish but did not get any he was gone, recalled our Force and, Chasing Thereon all Fishing the crew went wild. All Thing go on well, don't say quite Much Fish but must keep off the Land whence we thought it Below the Bristle most annoying Force of Birds we for on board. The Ship this day this afternoon - if this weather continues there will be a great improvement. The Cape Corse Fall do for Finding more

Latitude 6.03 N
Longitude 23 10 W

Sunday Morning

This is the place of Reef Jackets and squally weather, all day making and taken in sail, Never saw such times in my life all eating and drinking and no blubber, five ships in sight going the same way It is impossible to tell how the wind has been blowing to day for it has been all round the compass, It was so cloudy we could not take the sun. So much surprise

Latitude 5.30 N
Longitude 23.40 W

Monday November 28

Strong breezes from E.N.E. and squalls all day, there has been five or six ships in sight steering S. and S by W but the E & SE Night ten Miles in about five hours to windward, Captain Raymond came on board this afternoon, and remained until 10 he has had about the same luck that we have had and that is nothing, all our spirits are low but I think an eighty barrel ~~Whale~~ Whale would cure us!

Latitude 4.12
Longitude 22.50 W

Tuesday November 29

Wind still blowing from the E. think they must be their E. trades or will turn time into them, we are going along about 5 knots weather rather inclined to be squally, have not seen any

142 Thousands of Ships Pallaces have

fish to day of every kind, besides letting
up Pigging all this afternoon a
great number of Sperm Pigs going
in all directions, the species
ought to be the Flying Fish there has
been thousands to-day sometimes
as many as 50 or 100 in sight I
should judge

Latitude 2.37 N
Longitude 23.50 W

Wednesday November 30

Strong breezes from
the S.E. by S. heading S.S.W. going
along about seven knots the W. Thompson
is a splendid sailing ship she
has made over 130 to the S. to day
we have beat every ship we have
come to, any way before or on the
wind it makes no difference
there 2 more out of sight, no whales
yet, we dont even see them
the Junk begins to show itself
three of our boat steerers are
almost useless they have boils
or almost on every part of them

Latitude — 38 m S
Longt. 26.40 W

Thursday Dec 1.

Wind the same
heading the same, we are now
going a S.W. by S. course, all
hands briskly engaged in vigorously
employment about the ship
Blowing a fine breeze; Steward
laid up with a bad Leg, Dick
Usher takes his place, Ships are
getting quite scarce about here
we have completely run away from
every thing we met

Latitude 1.24 S
Longitude 26,40 W

Mr. Thomas Chief William Thompson

Friday December 2

Weather remains
exceedingly fine, not seen any ships
to day, plenty of flying fish but
no whales, expect them down now
the has come up in her course
this morning we are now steering
S. S. W. big thing is going on about
O. R., have lost sight of all the
ships, it is getting quite dull now
we have nothing to run away
from, all hands as usual Poor
Carpenter he's trying to do something
I think really not what

Latitude 4° 15 S
Longitude 27° 45 W

Saturday Dec, 3

Weather very fine
and just about warm enough
blowing 2 reefs and sails full,
blowing S. S. W. made three
degrees of latitude this twenty
four hours and only a very
moderate breeze I think I could
have just as much wind as
I want and from the right
quarter I think the William
Thompson would make four
degrees and a half if not more
All hands engaged busily at
their usual work.

Latitude 9° 20 S
Longitude 28° 20 W

Sunday Dec 4

This day passed off
tolerably decently for a Made
up duck enough. We only had
one eight bell. I seem to be
very difficult to do something
heading and mending little
spells the forecourse and

Sunrise of Thirteen Thousand Years

Up 2 — Shinning round and the [illegible]
Dec One week from last Sunday in
a piece up in Jacob's River [illegible]
Sea by Lockeday one lack man [illegible]
Shipping and the [illegible] Force
Upend Steers, Sixty Sixty and
Fifteen hundred we getting on Pretty
Pretty Light of any Kind we Laying
still for some day Strong Trades
and they are heavy, made 200 Miles
of Latitude

Latitude 40 1
Longitude 2[illegible] W

Monday Dec 5

Strong Trades all
day, set fore Topmast Stunsail
and Main Top Gallant Stunsail,
Going at about 9 knots Found over
200 Miles and Still yesterday
The Thompson a Offended
Sailing Ship and no Mistake,
Everything Going on about O.K.
The only extraordinary circumstance
that has taken place lately is
the Prens a Spectacle for Fourth
has decreased Wonderfully, the
Mortality is by far the most prevalent
of Sickness on Board now

Latitude 14 00 1
Longitude 30 32 W

Tuesday Dec 6

Trades not quite
so strong today but still
pretty Going a knot of every
about 7 knots that has been
a bad occurrence noticed yet
one that is to be regretted by all
of that is the death of John Frye
who we buried at 10 o'clock
by the side of Plantiff, he
has only been confined to his
bed three days, bad cold settling

Journal of Ships Proceedings

Since daylight the Brookish
Company have been and hitherto
been occasionally employed in
clearing the Ship of Water
Casks &c Latitude to enlarge
the Starboard side in order that
we may be more comfortable
We will be more comfortable to his Journal
to shower the Coming week things to
the utmost Queen Victoria Square
Cook & Stephenson Stock Broker
Appointed to Council the Board
Discovery Commenced - the Ship
Sailors have worked half month
Sugar Sand for Storing Coming ready
the attorney General & Crafter
Sir John Gibbs, Powdercourse was
Commenced overboard and
Lead to this Commodore Frere
Officers pro Tempore Returns
the Lead to keep at this Frere
Dr Powderhouse to Tell Report
the Lead,

Latitude 14.43 S
Longitude 31.16 W

Wednesday December 7

Light Sailors at
Low Tide weather, Lock No Light
Which Light all our Spirits, but
these Strong Powerful Frere is
Lead Jet Power but when it Frere
Lead right left on our Ship Frere
Sugar Lemon Orange and Lemon
Juice for any Spirits withstanding
Sugar Tea Coffee Coffee already
to Lemon Juice Lofty Ship
Thermometer and Lemon Juice Red Hot
the Weather is Pleasant Sun Lemon
on the Deck of the Forecastle Half Cut

Latitude

Sec. Journal of Mr. William Thompson

Wednesday December 8.
Light breezes from
N.E. and fine weather going along
about four knots, the flying Dutchman
on board of us which I had for this
Bay yesterday, I dress they would have
stand me so much Concern and
now more than half of my Old hands
at work in getting up the Jaggers
for Cape Town Bell particular Crofs
a day ground fast with the
mast Carpenter and Blacksmith
called Bell Carpenter for not
giving the Foak Lashing properly
stood up this day work with
taking out storage and fitting
the Blocks & Breakers and lighter
for the Stiffeth Hatches

Latitude 21 11 L
Longitude 33. 4 W

Friday December 10
Wind light blowing
from S.E. Sailing about 4 knots,
there has been some Lowell all day
all hands busily engaged in repairing
Chain and Tore Lail, Dick Tony
Spent this day in getting ready for
Cape Town (was) throwing and Stocking
in the after Cabin all the Morning
have to keep two men watching that
in doors Cal all the Lower Cafe
the Shoreand Markes, The Morning
coquil well and Culsup, more
Brunke than one
Jack the Blacksmith has got
religious and his prayer he says
he intends to keep if the is
one of the Cafe Convert is
All day I is I hope it work
Last

Latitude 22 11 6 S
Longitude 34 11 20 W

Monday December 10

Moving the Farm
in a westerly, all hand are now
well except Babbet who has
been very bad with a sore
finger, and Morrison a sick
all this morning Mr Hawden
is to be discharged on Monday
from his duty of Stewardship
Our Old Steward announced
over on the same day, he
is sorry, he is glad of it and
that is Dick Mesher John not
being pleased of a fortnight of his
No Fish yet, not even an albatross
that is to bad, now that we
have got where we should be
there — but wait till yet

Longitude 38. 04. W
Latitude 24. 31. S

Sunday December 11

This day has
passed and gone like a
Sunday's at Sea, that is
dull enough, Nothing doing
in the work line, Our men
not having a washe below for
two days I have stepped it away
Dick Mesher has been mending
Clothes all day the wicked fellow
but he is going completely
to the Devil, well I could
not keep him in the flogging
before long if he dont, mend
his ways. The weather is
beautifull, wind the same
as last yet.

Latitude 26. 25. S
Longitude 37. 24 W

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Monday December 12

Light winds from N. E. Sailing about by knots, and steering S. W. all hands engaged in mending sails and other duties about the ship Bill Smith one of the Lincoln family, no doubt a relative of the celebrated John Smith, was taken sick this morning with a severe all hands [illegible] of the same nature as the one John died of. Unfortunate sailors, will the sailors never tell the end of time

Longitude 39. 7 W
Latitude 28. 10 S

Tuesday December 13

The wind has been blowing all day in gusts so that we have been obliged to reef twice during the day. Calms and little squalls plays every other thing that prevailed throughout the day. Bill Smith seems much better this morning. Observe the Mainboard boat. and have repaired all hands on duty. Deep

Latitude 29. 00 S
Longitude 41. 11 W

Wednesday December 14

Light breezes from E. N. E. inclining to S. S. E. employing on board. Bill Smith breathed overboard at Meridian forenoon this morning. Observe the Mainboard boat. and have repaired all hands on duty. Deep

 Journal of Ship William Thompson

[illegible] who is very [illegible] well.
If you ask him how he feels he
says he is first rate. The same
[illegible] in looking ahead now
that we are coming to the
River La Plata for the effect,
at 2 P.M. saw [illegible]

Longitude 27..56 W
Latitude 29..24 S
Wednesday December 15

This day commences
with strong breezes from N.W.
steering W, at noon took in
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] 11, [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
with [illegible], but the Cook
[illegible]
[illegible], the poor Doctor
feels very [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible],
[illegible], but [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible], the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] the
[illegible] with [illegible],
On [illegible] good living and dainty
bits which the Doctor has [illegible]
him with [illegible]
[illegible]
in the [illegible],
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] but the Doctor [illegible] with
[illegible]
the [illegible] of his [illegible] for
[illegible]

Latitude 38..38 S
Longitude 40..28 W

[illegible]

[illegible]

Lightfreezer [illegible]
the [illegible] Wednesday [illegible] Feb
on different Posts, all hands
[illegible]
[illegible]
fringes, the Carpenter is getting
[illegible] the Long boats [illegible]
on fire, that is the [illegible]
[illegible] getting along and
[illegible]
[illegible]

Friday Feb 26 W
Latitude 30.58 S

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] to get
[illegible] stands to
[illegible] bed [illegible]
[illegible] a [illegible] Shower
[illegible]
[illegible] work among [illegible]
[illegible]

Saturday
Latitude 30.39 S

[illegible]
[illegible] all day Heavy
[illegible] W [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] the
[illegible] Sponges & Cordage
[illegible]
[illegible] Wednesday
[illegible] Latitude [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]

Latitude 34° 25' S

Friday December [illegible]

Strong breezes

From the N.E. blowing A.D.W.

Shifting a Moderate sized sprout at

Sup for Lighthouse the Weather

[illegible] Pleasant getting quite Cold, have

been a great many Porpoises,

[illegible]

Latitude 49.20 S

Wednesday [illegible]

Thursday December [illegible]

Strong Gales

From the N.E. during the day

very unpleasant Weather, Blowing

about Squalls, [illegible]

Porpoises, killed only one, there

was a good deal of fuss when we

got him on board a Porpoise

of this Size [illegible] Handed never

been one before

Longitude 51 [illegible] W

Latitude 3[illegible] S

[illegible]

[illegible] December 22

This day commenced with strong breezes from E. and N.E. [illegible] Thermometer [illegible] Weather, There is [illegible] Sheet [illegible] Sandy Hook, 10 miles Dist, Cloudy & [illegible] This morning the Ice [illegible] held fast, [illegible] the wind blew [illegible] Latitude [illegible]
Longitude [illegible]

[illegible] December 23

Light breezes from the North Morning & N.W. by N. [illegible] & [illegible] Sky [illegible] about 5 [illegible] Observed it bear [illegible] Eagle [illegible] [illegible] 2 or 3 [illegible] [illegible] Although [illegible] had [illegible] Ice [illegible] for Wharf [illegible] [illegible] Latitude 45° 20 N
Longitude 43 25 [illegible]

[illegible] December 24

Light breezes from [illegible] Weather is beautifully fine for this time of year [illegible] The [illegible] Thermometer [illegible] [illegible] one of the [illegible] [illegible] mild weather for this

time and dead to, we could not have had a better or finer line for Whales but none came, all hands are getting quite tired of Porpoise and we wish once more for Sunshine, being busy Coopering the Ship pails, Mending Jonsdil Managed to find some Fresh all hands, The Cook got the Rheumatism not off yet, but not a mate, the Philipes who he says is the only one fit to wash up and so for the

Longitude 65 W
Latitude 44 30 S

Sunday December 25

Light winds from the N. Meeting at 8 A.M. the Victor rowed the Log round we were going 7 knots, and again this afternoon we went 6; We are now close in to Land; got out the lead and line in case we require it, hope to be round Cape Horn in ten days or less, the Rennet is fast about the Lame, she is never turned in for good, at least he won't get better as until we get into finer weather, saw some porpoises hoped to kill some but they came out the middle end of the room.

Longitude 59 38 W
Latitude 46 6 S

Monday December 26.

Strong breeze from S.S.W. Meeting at 8 A.M. by compass, [illegible]

[illegible]

Strong winds from SW by S steering S.E. Clear weather, some swell, Stanyan gets watch and watch below, finishes painting for mending and all other jobs, Bill Lincoln thinks the living not quite so strong as when he was running ships the old women used to make him strong cake and pudding some of this whole office and all Friends of mine have been splendidly off for mean[illegible] the same office that I have heard called Horse Th[illegible] Bel[illegible] Bluebber Bay Kingdom for some Blueberr

Longitude 62.06 W
Latitude 49.05 S

Wednesday December 28

Winds from S.W
Steering S.E. Close the high and 2 P.M
passing off the Coast Beautiful weather
it is quite warm this morning,
the Cooper and his assistant engaged
in finishing a cask of oil
the Mates have a good place
for the cask above forward
[illegible] of Bins
[illegible]

Longitude 62.19 W
Latitude 51.30 S

[illegible] of Ship William Thompson

Thursday December 27

Gales of Wind from S.W. N.W. Steering out the Bay, Weather fine but very Cold, Caught an Albatross with a Fish Hook and line, with some Pork, he was a very large one, we had some sport with him and the Dogs, whom he tried to bite, and would have done so if he was able to stand. There are a great many birds of all kinds about the Ship, I suppose because we are so near Land, Both a [illegible] Breezes, Made a Southerly course all day — The William Thompson sails [illegible] winding [illegible]

Longitude 63.07 W
Latitude 53.11 S

Friday December 28th

Strong Gales from S.W. [illegible] with hail [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] light [illegible] School of Blue Fish early this morning, I was all this day Putting up a Stove in the After Cabin, [illegible] has [illegible] I have been in Comfort Indeed, it is very Cold on Deck and very warm below. So I have been there nearly all day, it makes things look comfortable [illegible] been Lying [illegible] all the afternoon [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Longitude 63.7 W
Latitude 53.45 S

Sunday December 31

Strong breezes from the westward and considerable swell, very cold and unpleasant weather At 10 A.M. saw the Island about 50 Miles off. Supposed to be the East end of Matton Island. It is very apparently very high and rocky. Hope all hands, the second mate excepted, will be healthy. We killed for the Sick pig, fowl, Cattle Stores, the latter by getting accidentally wet. The carpenter seemed to have added fat enough 20 lbs of Blubber to his overgrown belly. We sent the Cooper to throw the lines down in the hold. Latitude 53.56 N Longitude 53.56 W

Monday January 1 1843

Strong breezes from the N.W. and fair the early part of the day. The latter part of the Land topped Cloud prevailed to the North heading Sandy W by Compass. The Land is in full sight. It looks Black and desolate. The Mountains are all with snow. We have produced Many book and learned to Square Knots. Old Cooper this is the birthday of the other people. Hope there are good Officers Engineers Boys and second Mates hands, Speed in manuscripting, Wanting, &c. is the Many enough of Good Old Friends the Monday Prize Meeting

Log Journal of Ship William Thompson

Relations and acquaintances around the Festive board and a thousand other things that pass in the life of a whaler I shall endeavor faithfully to chronicle for the benefit of the friends at home with that hope of their enjoyment in so the only thing that helps us while we are away — I remain Yours &c

in a squall carrying away the Mainsheet & Mainsheet Clatter on deck

Longitude 63.15 W
Latitude 54.36 S

Monday January 2
Strong gales from S.W heavy sea, weather thick foggy and rainy at 4 P.M wind increased to a hurricane reefed all the topsails and took in the topgallant sails, all hands on duty except Renwick who is fast about the same, not much doing in the whaling line the weather being so rough to prevent them, have not seen a whale of any thing for the last three days shot a porpoise but lost him for want of a fluke rope

Longitude 66.00 W
Latitude 56.55 S

Tuesday Jan. 3 — 1843
Fresh breezes from N.W. rainy weather heading to the S.W. at 5 P.M the wind changed suddenly to the W.S.W. a severe squall caught us worth all sail out, latter and middle part of the day fresh gales and clear weather tacked to N.W

Latitude 57.18 W
Longitude 55.20 S

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Extract of Ship's Log Thompson

[illegible] a Calm of some [illegible]
[illegible] Thermometer is down to
[illegible] 80° to two, may expect some
[illegible] Thermometer is first
[illegible] the morning, the Lieutenant
[illegible] Death from a [illegible]
[illegible] Latham News and Latham Quite
[illegible] Left [illegible] with
[illegible] in his bunk. Through
[illegible] Left in doubtful [illegible]
[illegible] according to [illegible] a dose,
[illegible] Chlor Prophylactic
a dose full of Peruvian bark
two table spoons full of Castor Oil
one of Rhubarb he took it and
proved much beneficial for
he was quite well [illegible] Morning

Longitude 69.00 W
Latitude 5 9.22 S

Thursday Jan 2 1843

Strong gales from
S.W. with clear weather for [illegible]
[illegible] at 9 Pets close reefed all
the topsails and reefed the fore
[illegible] at 4 A.M. Saw a [illegible]
[illegible] the Lee bray [illegible]
[illegible] with the wind [illegible]
[illegible] Bed the Lieutenant
[illegible] Good [illegible]

Longitude 78.34 W
Latitude 58.30 S

Journal of Philip W. Thompson

Friday Jan. 6. 1844

Strong gales from N.W. by W. close reefed main and foresail at dark C.M. Carried away main sheet gaff jaws blowing very heavy all the time, Gibbons was taken ill last night from something the matter with his lungs so makes two of our boat steerers good for nothing in bad weather, Remick tied fast about the same,

Longitude 72 00 W
Latitude 57 25 S

Saturday January 7

Strong gales from N.W. squally & the most boisterous thing I do believe the wind ever blows change it is most tormenting to be kept beating about in this horrid place, all hands are tumbling about in every direction sore heads and barked shins are the order of the day, the Carpenter complains very hard he says if he bears a shot down another second he's not sure of it, Remick is fresh about the same,

Longitude 71 59 W
Latitude 57 24 S

Sunday Jan 8

This day commences with strong breezes from N.W with heavy swell close reefed topsails and reefed foresail, every thing looks dull and all hands are quite sick of cape Horn, but I take my comfort by the stove reading all day

Longitude 72 57 W
Latitude 57 36 S

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Journal of Ship William Thompson

Monday January 9 - 1843
Cloudy weather

Strong north northeasterly breezes
and between the hours as following gales
sprung up. We by this time should think
it had blowing all the coast round of
the Bay, the sea must run high
from Nothing but the land saw
either to the eastward yesterday before
Crossed Bay this yesterday to Pelican
Bay saw the hills, saw twenty
Sperm Whales, but it is very
rough work when you can do
nothing but lie to. Fresh
breezes today, Officers dressed strong
are quantities are their fort
Latitude 55° 26 S
Longitude 72° 00 W

Tuesday Jan 10 - 1843
Blows squalls
from the westward, cloudy
rain and hail, all hand crofs
mast, lost, and portable work
for day clothes to further strained
on chafe, there, the Monkey is as
well as can be expected he is
getting drafted the effects of
the flour of south Pleurisy
slop for have considerably been
back much made out a stage
work
Longitude 73° 00 W
Latitude 57° 40 S

Wednesday Jan 11
Squalls fresh
light hazy between, the bat
tle between parts taken up
[illegible]
[illegible] is as steady
as [illegible] without boating
can make strong all hands

Journal of Ralph William Thompson

well, Not much doing at present.
plenty of work laid out to be done
when we get around the Horn if
we can do

Longitude 3 00 W
Latitude 58 28 S

Thursday Jan 12
Strong Gales
from the Westward, heavy Swell
Squalls and rain throughout
the day, heading N.W. sailing
about three Knots, some bad
snow storms, all hands on
duty, two of the Boatsteerers are
off duty one with a sore finger
the other with a lung complaint
seems to be getting better

Longitude 74 0 W
Latitude 56 40 S

Friday Jan 13
Strong Gales
from S & S W hope it will last
some time and get out
this horrid Place, Weather
Squally and snow Storms
every hour, at 6 A.M. Wind began
to haul to the West and at
Noon we are heading to the N.
Plenty of work for all hands,
reefing and setting sail, all
the time during the day, the
Motion as fast as ever and as
Good tempered, Catching Whales
by the fire as usual

Longitude 75 52 W
Latitude 55 37 S

Saturday Jan 14
Gales of wind
from N.W. heading S W. by S
sailing five Knots at three
P.M. Tacked and steered N.W
26 came up during the day to
North & West every sail that
can be safely set is now

1843 Journal of Ship William Hoop

Friday Going off in fine weather, at this moment
light airs until Tuesday in sight
of Cape Horn go to Sea, Pennant
is gone to Leeth hope to get home
safe when we get into Roanne weather
all hands are well and keep
their offer it is wonderful.

Longitude 79° 18' W
Latitude 54° 58' S

Sunday January 15 = 1843
Wind. Light airs

from W. & W. Sailing S.W. going
eight knots fully, Find made to
day mainsail to kill a Porpois got
it on the Mainsail and got
a complete duching and two
Porpois which the Negroe did
not like for he said he had his
mouth rigged for Balls in
the Morning Jeffers passing much
on an opinion will be made with
the Dunnage Bags, Lumber,
to Clear and Bedding will
also be put in order the Weather
is fine hands busy, We are now
nearly round Cape Horn, Latitude
of the Blue and Light
Latitude passing S. Longitude 78° 18' W
Latitude 53° 38' S

Monday January 16 1843

Light winds from
the Land S.W. cannot get a
point to lay round Cape Horn this
morning at Daylight, Hoisted Pennant
Hoisted Jeffers to Sea and
Light Airs and Light Weather
the Mainsail & fin
back this afternoon, under the
Lee we followed, we for some
time, the Barber made his first
appearance this Morning, the

Journal of the Ship [illegible]

[illegible] Sunday June [illegible]

[illegible] Sunday June 17th 1848

Longitude 7 Min 54 W
Latitude 52 M 37 S

[illegible]

Wednesday June 14th 1848

[illegible]

Longitude 7 Min 54 W
Latitude 52 M 37 S

[illegible]

Longitude 7 45 W
Latitude 49 M 50 S

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J. H.

Thursday January 19. 1843

Moderate blowing fine
Wind & pleasant in the middle part
Lower part, and our opinion
during the night, we the Second
Mate & Captain of this Ship
Mr. Charles Obenty of Dispatched his Mate
with five men, armed, to come
ashore to Cable Town, South
Side of Rock Bay Island, to enquire
where we could, purchasing for a Mate
to be taken to the Indian country
Nearly, Bill Smith Jump there
in the Canoe to shear off

Longitude 6 gu 45 M
Latitude 4 gu 33 S

Friday January 20

Moderate blowing
Moonlight, lying anchored off
Cable Town, not seen much
stirring the day, came from
the shore very gentle breeze will
come round to the S. before
Morning; At Sunset, received
of the Mate in night this
Morning Weather, hazy and
foggy, and unpleasant
A Thousand are engaged in making
Canoe Moorings, work so poor
work, six Men Men, Mate
out for Oak angle head

Longitude 7 gu 20 M
Latitude 4 gu 30 S

Saturday January

Moderate Commencing
with light breeze, Mate
Mary Stock weather, Finish of
Day and very little Moorings
Blow the Boats again for
Mate, Dispatched night Mate
on the Shore of the Island, we
have Caught Crayfish 181

Log of the Vessel of Capt William Thompson

[illegible] Atlantic Ocean
[illegible] Capt [illegible] 25 days
[illegible] Cleaning Ship Lower Decks Fore and Aft Ship Scraped and Painted along

Longitude W
Latitude 45.00 S

Sunday January 22 1843
Light breezes from
Wednesday Weather, Sailing
along about 8 knots at 10 P.M. Took
Topgallant sails, We are now on
good Sailing ground we have
been Working out Charge all
day fine Nothing not
Strange Porpoises Tomorrow will
tell a different tale all hands
doing well the Gigg not has not
made his appearance as yet
The Carpenter is quite well to day
Lady Fish Medicine is a valuable
one If any one of the officers
Friends has the Gleet Fly
Cantharides in the Course [illegible]

Longitude 130.55 W
Latitude 43.49 S

Monday January 23 1843
[illegible]

[illegible]

Longitude [illegible] W
Latitude 39° 24' S

[illegible]

Wind [illegible]

[illegible] the Night [illegible]
[illegible] Thermometer, [illegible]
[illegible] the Coffee being [illegible]
Pound and [illegible] of Coffee, the [illegible] of
[illegible] Pound [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible] to the [illegible]
[illegible] a [illegible]
[illegible]

Longitude [illegible] W
Latitude 38° 38' S

Thursday January 26 1843

Light Breezes from
the West, the Wind [illegible] change.
[illegible] in [illegible] the [illegible], the
[illegible] on good Water [illegible]
[illegible] not that a light [illegible]
[illegible], we have a [illegible] Spirit
this Morning, Passed [illegible] going
[illegible] A. M. by Lunar [illegible]
[illegible] Richmond

Left Port Jackson for Kamschatka

Seek northern Whale fishery and hoping
for health in early delightful Pacific to
the Sea of Japan of this past Season.
Upon waking to truly Magnificent
Sunrise behold to Starboard a Light

Longitude 151° 30' W
Latitude 34° 30' S

Friday January 27th 1843
Bright Mild Aroul-
fine weather at 4 A. M. raised
Shoals on our Lee Bow, Let
Go our Anchor, Ship 15 Fathom
being four Miles off Lawton on an
Island Mile, The Shoals
Breaks Across before the Cove
leads Ashore, Such perhaps the
Dangers of the Fishers Trade.
Land in sight, Half a mile Off Shore
Inland the Peaks of a range Stretch
Upon Shelf Rocks Lying Parallel
Coast Long Range of Hills
Green Land in Sight, Helm
Lashed up the mast-head to
Keep Sober Round the Ship
Sea Sobby About 1 A. M. Hoisted
our Boat Swung Aboard Alongside
and by Noon we had Cut

Longitude 151° 11' W
Latitude 34° 38' S

Saturday January 28 1843
Light breeze from
N.E. & S.W. and Conditions
Hilly Coast are Lying Surrounding
a Bay Northward of the Point
and Leeward to Starboard a Low
Appearance of Hillock,
Shoals are on Lee, Sou-Sou-E
Reason for Some the other Their
Lace are at Blackness Jetty, the
Hill Peak about 50 Fathom Line
Smooth Breathe and Fair Enough
of Wind to Provide Wrecks Stay

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Jan

Properly, Blubber, Oil and in all directions, the Cask as well Stiffness as Lee, The Carpenter, so he is Proof Prove of the Legs that standes been a Engineer

Longitude 78 00 W
Latitude 34 04 S

Monday January 29 1843
Light Winds

from North W. It would be difficult to say how the ship was heading for we were standing off and on from Wednesday till Saturday which I forgot to mention in the previous log for we made it at 10 A.M. from Mocha Island on Friday the Lascars all drown and headed for it by the left the Ship for to get a Mess of Fish and it Would not return until 4 P.M. having with them one Cough from 30 fathom Depth which we Dare Dare Plenty of Sharks Birds & Albatrosses Flying Round Bitterly anxious to see a Sperm Whale Bended a Beautiful Clear Wind but Very Pleasant Produces in Perfection, the Weather was very fine

Longitude 78 00 W
Latitude 33 00 S

Tuesday January 30 1843
Light Breezes from

N.W. beautiful weather, all hands on deck, the principal work is Cutting Oil and Stowing away Whale Gear Expect to a Whale this afternoon Cut the Fish Bite very much all hands tart from Sunrise Cutting the Fish

Longitude 77 30 W
Latitude 32 18 S

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Tuesday January 31 1843

Light winds from N.W. and pleasant weather, all hands employed cleaning & mending Lay boats, Coopering Oil &c at 2 P.M. saw a sail from Mastheads, spoke her at 5 P.M. proved to be the Philanthropist of Sidney Captain Smith 28 Months out 1300 bbls all hands in good health, has not seen Whales for 2 Months, We made some letters for him,

Longitude 79° 4' W
Latitude 30.02 S

Wednesday February 1

Light winds from N.W. and fine Pleasant Weather, Job Gallant & Bloodsuckers in Cutter, one hand below sick, Coopers in Lay boats, Carpenter & Blacksmith have all night in which makes it very comfortable for them, Gibson not any better, False alarm this morning instead of Whales turned out to be Porpoises & Steward laid up with his Leg against the John Hawley Officer's instead

Longitude 79° 43' W
Latitude 27° 29' S

Thursday February 2 1843

Light winds from N.W. and fine pleasant weather, Job Gallant & Bloodsuckers in Cutter, Coopers in Lay boats, Carpenter & Blacksmith in Boat, Gibson not better, At this morning Made land from Mastheads, running along shore, Bid land with a safe and fine Ship, Thus Afternoon, &c &c

1843 Journal of Ship Mariner on a voyage

from New York to the Chinese Seas

Friday 2 Feb. Except a fine day, and
remaining about the Chinese Seas
for some few hours above, Wind
Light to be about from again, the
Weather is gone what Cloudy this
Morning Hope it will Clear up
so we can Catch a Mess of Fish

Longitude 79.26 W
Latitude 26.24 S

Friday February 3 1843
Light winds from
S and E during the day Cloudy Weather,
at Eight A.M. Land was seen
Ahead, a Nash-head and at four
P.M. Came in full view of Ah Telip
we Let down the Small Boat and
went on shore to fish. we remained
about an hour during which we
caught a good Mess of Yellow
Tails, enough for all Hands: Ah
Telip is a barren rock without
a particle of vegetation on it
and seems to have been pushed
up by some convulsion of Nature

Lat 24.20 S
Long 80.05 W

Saturday February 4th 1842
We are now in the
trades winds sailing along smoothly
passed Porto Rico Shoals; Devil off
Hispaniola Royal, Mouch Anthrecite
Breaks Things look better in the
Morning, at Sunset saw a School
of Porpoises, Wind from Mark
Head Going to windward like
the Devil. Took in the Studding sails
and hyed to Bear up but did
not so than an hour the wind only
of Eight, at 8.30 Tacked and
Stood in by E.

Longitude 80.7 W
Latitude 23.3 S

Journal of Ship Phenomenon from

Sunday February 5 1843

Strong Trades and fine weather, all hands engaged in setting up Rigging, Broke out the sail room and Cleaned the try works, all ready for a Whale to day which we will no doubt get, Sunday being a very Likely day, The Ship looks beautifully clean, no one would think of the Deck every being covered with Blubber, this is the Beauty of Sperm Whaling

Longitude 80°17'45" W
Latitude 20°40' S

Monday February 6 1843

Strong Trade and delightfull weather, All hands at work at the rigging turning it in, have not seen a Whale of any kind for some days Struck a Porpois this morning and got him he was a very poor One we had the Liver at Breakfast it went very fine, Philips is quite unwell he got one of my doses, which consisted of some Castor oil a little Molasses and plenty of Epsom Salts The Carpenter is trying to Come the Moque But could not The Cooper has been all day Coopering Oil

Longitude 80°39' W
Latitude 18°20' S

Tuesday February 7 1843

Light Trades, very fine weather, all hands turning in Rigging, No Whales and such beautifull weather. It is indeed a Pity; an immense Number of Right Jacks Caught

one boat the Pigs eat him up
Philips not well yet, got another
dose this morning, got all
the Guns fixed up in the Cabin
it looks like a Barracks on a
small scale saw a large
School of Porpoi's and Black
Fish, tom cried out there the
Blowes from Mast Head

Longitude 80 " 36 W
Latitude 16 " 10 S

Wednesday February 8 " 1843

very light winds, it
was calm almost all night, Plenty
of Skip Jacks but they wont bite
all hands at work at the Rigging
began to Paint Ship this morning
A Brigg in sight Steering to
the South, the Newton gone to Mast
Head do we will be done to pain
some thing very soon, Steward's
Leg not much better saw a Large
Sun Fish off the Bow this Morning

Longitud 80 " 53 " 30 W
Latitude 14 " 41 S

Tuesday February 9 " 1843

Light winds from
the S and W, beautiful weather
there is not a Cloud to be seen
in the Heavens, all things seem
at peace, but one little speck
which is like a Hive of bees every
body is employed at something
or other preparing for the bigger
which by the Day will come the
finished, Some painting ship
some overhauling Royals, the
Carpenter up to Fiddle we ships
carpt if we judge from appear
ances we must have some a
great deal more work

Longitude 81 " 56 W
Latitude 13 " 12 S

Lat. 5 Long. 1 Min 8
Eighty miles from
the Line. Very light winds for
an hour. Shortly before Dalzel
left Night, which was the
Sea Lamp was beautiful, but
there the Night, towards the
morn. the effection of coming the
Moon Lightning Flew of a
Phosphorus Light. In the
Calm Pacific, not a ripple
on the Broad surface of Water
Head, round the Eye nothing
like any thing seen before
and, sky, sea, and Ship
the Stillness is broken, by some
playful Fish, now leaping
Higher than the Topgallant Sails
some twice Circumference
Porpoises and again they
Startled in Stillness
Longitude 43. 3 W
Latitude 12. 3 S
Saturday February 11 1843
very light winds
and pleasant beautiful weather,
all hands painting ship and
bending sails in Readiness, a Person dead
which Peck about Thursday but
will not bite, cannot see a Whale
I am tired from a Sail Back
would be some relief to let
us know what all the Whale
Ship have not left this part of
the world, everything going on about,
Joseph Philips is Sick Butter and
Mouth things will be well in
some little Time Jimmy is staying
some Time of a life as he calls
it, some times better and then
again worse it is well

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Longitude 8 4 12 W
Latitude 1 11 5 S

[illegible] weather, [illegible]
the same old long [illegible]
[illegible] side sick of [illegible] Nothing
happens to put into a journal
now a days Not one False alarm
this week, It is getting quite dull
we must strike up something
soon, The only thing I enjoy is
the moon light nights which
beat any thing of the kind I
have seen lately, Carpenter is
going on about the dame makes
speeches for the edification of
his, [illegible] shipmates in the
forecastle and in his spare as
leisure

Longitude 86 00 W
Lattitude 10 16 S

Monday February 13 1843

The traces are improving
in strength wind is blowing quite
a nice breze, going along gaily about
five knots all hands on deck this
afternoon engaged in different
ways some scraping ship, others
Bending a fore topsail, Cooper and
Carpenter both at work, Must not
forget the Blacksmith who is quite
a man of Letters to look at him
now a person might be led into
error, But we must not judge
the Book by the Cover as Mr Norton
says

Longitude 89 00 W
Lattitude 9 11 S
Tuesday February 14 1843

Strong breezes
and clear weather, We have
been going eight knots these
twenty four hours Carpenter

[illegible]

Longitude 92° 20' W
Latitude 7° 55' S
Wednesday last February 15. 1843

Fresh breezes and
Clear weather Albatrosses to East and Nothing
to do I mean in the breaking line
Our boy running Sails, Black on
Old Main Topsail and put the
Mew Pipe away for Cape Horn we
will have use for it in about twenty
months at least, All hands being
well the Latter, Sappin's fever
stood last night, the Pots were
in about the same time as
when we left Pedro Leal with
the exception of prunes to be added

Longitude 92° 14' W
Latitude 7° 7' S
Thursday February 16. 1843

The trades are quite
decent; and weather beautiful
Albatrosses, we are now getting
in the right place expect to
meet Cape Horn with some
More bracing in rigging, Blacksmith
and Cooper at work, The Carpenter
is going along as a good Boy begins
to be quite useful the Baker is
getting over his illness and will

[illegible] Thus we daily have providence
hope to get them to bite for the
drew a fresh water two of his each
[illegible] days he will catch me the
afternoon, had to be dyed yet

Longitude 94 31 W
Latitude 6 8 S

Friday February 17 - 43
Pleasant weather

and light winds; all drawing sail
let, Went busy turning in Rigging
Broke out for water this morning
& false alarm turned out be
a Lin Back, Everything going on as
usual not quite so French Junk
cap, Carpenter getting quite fat
his all Night below; Cook got
a bounty for his Whales he is to
get all the Slush grounded the
Ship is not full he went up
this afternoon for the first
time but did not make the
number nine

Longitude 5. 37 S
Latitude 96. 40 W

Saturday February 18 1843
Light Winds; trades

I suppose I ought to call them;
I am getting sick for want of
something to write about, the
[illegible] every day or Month
in each Month only, the only
thing I have got to say to day
is, it is a pretty pleasant
weather, and cross high is getting
to be a very dull time
thing yet but I may make a safe link
out of this thing day. Have on a
speck [illegible] of Oil taken about
this latitude, we expect to get
some three hundred Bbls

[illegible]

[illegible] and more-fine and getting [illegible]

Latitude 4.. 55 S
Longitude 98.. 55 W

Sunday February 19 - 1843

Fresh & nice breezes going along about eight knots good old home like to say I'm doing the, north Pacific day in the street, all hands are good spirits for Blubber & the whole should we can go into Apia about forenoon - Afternoon; Carpenter improving fast and getting quite around fast, struck a Porpois but he got off very much to the satisfaction of Mallo drawing in his hide for the last month

Longitude 101.. 28 W
Latitude 4.. 31 S

Monday February 20 1843

Good winds and fine weather, and also on what was formerly good ground for Blubber, all I say is I hope I will serve to for us I say, splendid weather have not had any rain for the last two months this day, then dark cloudy, so I'll watch the over board if we have got something about these diggings

Longitude 104.. 31 W
Latitude 4.. 27 S

Tuesday February

[illegible]

[illegible] Longitude 10° 8' W
Latitude 5° 7' S

Wednesday February 22 1843

[illegible]

[illegible]

Longitude 109° 41' W
Latitude 4° 37' S

Thursday February 23 1843

[illegible]

[illegible]

Longitude 112.00 W
Latitude 2.51 S

Friday February 24 1843

Light breezes and fair weather Shipped with the two Sheathers & Anto Wyatt in light on our Breakfast now, broke out Non Water to day Stowing away Sails and other Jobs to work up the men and make them dispatch their work Coopers busy getting casks for the new Whale which we expect getting on board Blackfish with a very large bile

Longitude 114.13 W
Latitude 2.39 S

Saturday February 25. 1843

Good winds and drawing daily by, Weather fair a little on the Lazy order, Plenty of Sperkl fish about, all hands Stowing and stowing Casks Coopers busy Refitting Casks Nothing doing in the Cabin this day Capt Lain Raymond came on board this afternoon to Dinner the Captain goes on board the Sperm Ship, Employing Jonny on Carpentry Work & Blacksmith Carried up with a very large bile

Longitude 114.13 W
Latitude 2.39 S

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Sunday February 26, 1843

This day commenced with light breezes and fine pleasant weather employed airing our clothes washing and mending of sails, at five this morning saw the land in the direction of the Cape Lookout bearing W. by S. we came due off land and find we have been drawn by the current to the Eastward, we are now opposite the Cape but do probably not come up the north side of the island.

Longitude 116.42 W
Latitude 2.13 S

Monday February 27, 1843

Good Military breeze and beautiful weather. Spoke ship Columbia of London bound to Columbia River, through mistake we found that a Spanish Mate Mr. Quinal belonging Rio Grande Mosquito to sea in a small boat bringing back a Portuguese and a Mulattoe to be hanged at Rio, never be drowned. Our Brook was boiling & the ship in with Confusion that I do, the was upset Both ships got on the bottom and, bringing back for relief after three half hours delay on board our boat with some provisions from ship Shamrock on the bottom like a Mud Lighter, lost Anyone of the crew, fresh, accidents got home safe.

Longitude 120.58 W
Latitude 1.38 S

[illegible]

Monday March 1 1843

[illegible]
[illegible] Light breeze and
fine weather Moderating day W. Been
employed in preparing for the
[illegible] expected Gale [illegible]
[illegible] Light in the Morning
[illegible] Light in the Morning
[illegible] Light
Longitude 123 a 24 W
Latitude a 19 Miles S

Wednesday March 1 1843
Light breeze and
fine weather Moderating day W. Been
employed in preparing for the
[illegible] expected Gale [illegible]
[illegible] Light in the Morning
[illegible] Light in the Morning
[illegible] Light
Longitude 124 a 30 W
Latitude 1 a 20 South

Thursday March 2 1843
Light breeze and
fine weather but no [illegible] as
yet all round [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] made

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March

and our friends, and to leave this
ground without some oil, for
men get so very easy only
a Chance to have unbelieved
Heard in fine Order plenty of
Sails for the Boat ~~[illegible]~~
Officers have been with us
for the last Month, each pass-
ing into our hands
Sail on this Boat, Officers Friends
they have got more Sails than
they will get Whales

Longitude 125.40 W
Latitude 2.13 S

Friday March 3rd 1843

Commenced Moderate
and good breezes E.N.E.
Sailed down Stone Straits and
Little Inlets that lying the entrance
of Port Jean in the Pitch line
Aground at low Water in
Lifting, Repairing boat Hooks and
Boats and Various other things
too numerous to Mention,
Cook has proved himself truly
worthy of the dignified place
he holds on board the officers of
Ship William Hoxie for he
he will conduct himself to the
profit for he is Clear as
Glass.—

Longitude 126.50 W
Latitude 1.30 S

Saturday March 4th 1843

Light winds and
fine weather Much Surprised
Appearance in Heavens, have
left Taken perque Partie, had
a Light Breeze Increasing
Light airs, the Lat is 2.20° from
the Longitude the Lat is 26° from

Log of the ship William Thompson

We have had delightful weather
for the season of the year, being
blessed with a fair wind
and smooth seas. We have
had no accidents to report
the crew are all well
and in good health and
spirits. Nothing of importance
occurred since my last
except the usual routine of
duty. Commenced this morning
with fresh breezes and fair
weather. At noon we had
the Cape Cod Light in sight
bearing N.W. by W. distance
about 8 miles.

Lat. 42°, 30 N.
Long. 69°, 41 W.

Monday March 5 1843

Commence calm
ending the day fine weather a number
of whales spouting about our
bows all hands, mending and
cleaning up for another fine
Philippine getting on well as cook
Chambers this day begins to show
his importance by setting the
apprentices to chopping with the
the beginner cradle, and the
other playfull track, to announce
to procrastinators, the dinner hour
quite
weight to weight could not
get a more good light it being
cloudy it is a very wonderfull
light and must have been the
work of a Deity with his sun and
moon shining

Lat. 42°, 30 N.
Long. 69°, 8 W.

Tuesday March 6 1843

All hands on deck
to play Chorus, down pumps this
afternoon. The weight the
vessel has pressed upon

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by this time, plenty of time, for
that matter like to be doing a
little, something now and
then, just to keep our hands
in, we have not been a little
of any kind for them, moreover, the
cook is the principal subject
talked of at present, the
church members seem to think
that the world is coming to
an end indeed, Rich & Cook
are busy making any preparation
for it

Longitude 127° 45' W
Latitude 47 N

Lat. Day March 7 1843

Five sitting hedges
from N.E. all drawing fair
left men engaged in mending
sails, and blindfish weather but
have not been while lying
by long long is this to last
if we could come across a
stranded old whale somewhere
could we see; the crew; the
nothing is talked of but the crew,
that an awful appearance to
night we have measured in the
place is 8° 20' miles from the Origon
the lair is 36° 41' miles, very, very
often days the always leads for
his wife and feels quite unwell
I wonder not be astonishing if
he was brought to bed with
itself home, Rich & thinks it
will be a spring cod fish
for the cats things and turned
enough for to, make any man
proud, do think be wonder fair
leaders if some of these days
I have in this journal
will be a torture doing as well as

Friend of Capt William Thompson

can be expected, was delivered of
a fine Colt at 4 O'clock this Morning
Longitude 128"
Latitude 2" 2
Wednesday March 8
Strong Winds
from N.E. Square sailed
all day all Hands employed
Tow Oakum altering sail and
making Lightsail Gaff altering sail
and we are now bound for the
Island of Tanna to get some fruit
and fresh provisions at great
inconvenience of Giving Lish the ground
looks more like the thing,
perhaps we may come across
some of them savage heads
Gradually all hands well except
Gifford and the Steward who
remains above the Deck
Longitude 128°30' E
Latitude 2° 9' S
Thursday March 9 1843
This day; that
has not been decided as yet, however
it does make much difference as
we get there, we will lay at none
because it was dark and between,
Decks whence off deck with four men
aloft — that could say much for the
look out — but you must not condemn
me for that, because it was that
and, mind, however after the usual
quantity of Cussing and running
in all Directions but when you
are much wanted; the Boat was
lowered, the Water Chuck the Stove
but Ben Smith Stove the other part
of the business down off we raised
a Cabbook about two of the Bowls

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after them but without success, all hands returned on board at 5 P.M. began cutting and got through at 7 h. 40 P.M. Stowing two thousand and forty Cutting in a forty Bbls Whale — Met had for a green crew —

Longitude 128 ° 54 ' W
Latitude 4 ° 20 ' S

Sunday March 10 - 1843

Strong winds from South East, thick and rainy all hands at work on the fish, the Men are forming well and any thing seems going on about right Bill Smith say the head above all Pining with Mates to sharpen knives, he being well versed in the art of Spade sharpening, got them being at his last. Night any thing is to be cleared up you should not mind thing we have had a Whale

Longitude 128 ° 10 ' W
Latitude 5 ° 36 ' S

Saturday March 11 1843.

Light winds from the South East, Pleasant weather some small showers to the West think we passed over yet the Trade from that direction; All hands on deck at work on the Blubber Tow and seem any Whales these bitter days Philip getting tired of cooking towards to give up the situation Took down from the mast accordingly, commenced cutting fifteen bbls on the deck, Cut and see very likely to be so for some time yet,

Longitude 130 ° 4 ' W
Latitude 7 ° 61 ' S

[illegible]

Sunday March 12 1843

Light variable winds
[illegible] called Capt of the ship
Grand Cayman to W. and W. yet
[illegible] and Zoning, we have
had last the tides and are now
drifting about waiting for the
C.M.S. to come and take us to our
destination Mr Watkins thinks the best
school would be some Christ Shepherd
Matthew 9 a Shepherd

Longitude 130.20 W
Latitude 11 8 N

Monday March 13. 1843

Strong breezes from
S.S.E. blowing the day Commodore
to Blow about midnight took in
all the Spinnakers sails left
Second Pigeons Tail Heavy
sea broke and broke below to
stay, Skip our fish and Maintail
Men employed in Packing Potatoes
and Laying Wine being Nice
work of fowl Pouring weather

Longitude 131.30 W
Latitude 8 40 N

Tuesday March 14. 1843

Gave strong trades
with Squalls about 8. A.M., weather rather
dirty with rain, rain all the
Day Keep Bending Sails, Boy badly
Going Something to keep the Sun
Boy out of their heads, Johnson Handy
on the Sick list complaining a
headache the Doctor not well come
to me for a Potion of Castor Oil his
abdomen is full of rolls, the Pilot
has returned to the Galley to the great
satisfaction of a Dutch Boy of this
Innocuous Journals and particular
acquaintance, Johnson the Day delighted
with his Connecting and Displacing

conversation, Politics, religion, In fact you cannot start any subject but you will always find Phillips there, to use one of his own Phrases, The cook continues to be the Queen of our Cabin and is progressing in the art of Duffs and flap jacks quitely to my satisfaction this Inventions day I my Cakes and Gingerbread Duffs in bags and Duffs out of bags Flippers, and Flappers, dough, and Lobscouse, with Rifles and dry Rifles and a great many other Rifles to numerous to mention, which daily delights our Eyes and must certainly please the Palate of the most Fastidious

Longitude 135 " 00
Latitude 10 " 17

Wednesday March 15 " 1843 —

Strong Breezes and pleasant weather this day all hands in quite a commotion this morning by singing out there the blows which finally turned out in Tin Backs, broke out for Water a Mile decking some Sandwich Strikes in 12 fathoms, Cap per all concerned Three Bowes, Hawley Steward and Clifford, remain on the sick list employed in this duty painting, boats and other Small jobs

Longitude 137 " 22
Latitude 11 " 50

Thursday March 16. 1843

Strong breezes and fine weather all drawing nail dry, then commenced the shops duty, again to make out time of this day all hands

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well except those mentioned, on the preceeding day, slowly getting better and officers getting worse. Old Cook and New Cook had a Pitch Battle to day, The New Cook laid the Old Cook out, trying to come the Criminal over him After a few compliments being passed on both sides, the New Cook gently insinuating that the Old Cook Mother belonged to the Canine species thereby intimating that he much be her Son, and a great many other Pet Phrases used among gentlemen of their profession

Longitude 140.22 W
Latitude 13.33 S

Friday March 17th 1843

Strong winds and fine weather all following night we were going along about eight knots full sail unfurled, making Mate and attending Cabin, pans for the Night, Cook thawing, made his appearance for the first time since his illness this morning look a little pale, difficult and the steward are actual Bedfellows, so fine yet strange one more Whale before night Jim —

Longitude 133.18 W
Latitude 15.9 S

Saturday March 18, 1843

Light winds from the S. Moonlight evening Observed a calm short strong breeze, Mercantile in breaking mate and cleaning ship, side and sail. I believe we are going, if Lord the winds we have had much of them for some days, Longitude 139.51 W
Latitude 18.19 S

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Sunday March 19 - 1843
Pleasant day we have had
any winds to speak of day it is
beautiful weather for Whaling
& indeed any other profitable business
plenty of Spermaceti oil we
and Steal in the principal Item
Leave to record in these pure
and faithful Journals,
as Sam Wales proceeds day
Longitude 146.57 W
Latitude 17.30 S

Monday March 20 1843
Light wind, some
rain fell on the Holiday good
Whaling weather, but strange to
say we have found the Sperm
Letter alone, Men employed Cooping
Casks, Painting Ship, and Stowing
Down Oil, Mr. Wales Offered
Mr. Hill, we have Shipped on Board for
the Table Spermaceti untill
Dinner, Jigger & Jack 22 down
below Found Hilling Made
this afternoon this Morning
first time since this Voyage
Longitude 147.18 W
Latitude 17.35 S

Tuesday March 21 1843
Light wind and
good weather, All drawing oil
Casks, Men employed, Painting Ship
and giving her a good Cleaning
up before getting in all hands
but Joseph, Edward and Jeffrey
who remain about the Lame
Philip and Edward getting on
well about fight more than
five or six times a day, Doctor
improving in the art of Cooping
long day, Something new —
Longitude 147.44 W
Latitude 18.53 S

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Wednesday March 22 1843

Light variable winds very
pleasant, but very hazy, the
sun has been seen occasionally
in Painting the Atmosphere presents
and Pleasing Imagery with a great
variety of the Little Pole Star
Kept the Pole a Little, Rule Sail
Thermometer begins to be varied
Experience Lark Fruits & Kale be
Varied in a Little Great Jamaica
Weather Latter remarked to Lark
that we may Expect rapacious — Lark
in Good Healthy, receiving
Fifty Stripes — Sign Anil Ethal
Gale Dreamed So day — Indian
Longitude 151.41 W
Latitude 19.37 N

Thursday March 23

Light winds
from the North all drawing
Sail Lark, Experienced, Order Shark
to day, Dorie on board day
we have been in three Hundred
Miles off, but I for me do not
believe it, I was the same
person who told the Young
Gentlemen Mate Killing fourteen
Sharks with out failing to me
Mens in good Spirits Looking
with a Light Hart to be rich
more on board

Longitude 18
Latitude 20.28 N

Friday, March 24 1843

Good strong
winds from which all drawing
Sail, Lark all hands in good
Spirits expect done fun in a
Day or two - at 10.30 Made the Land
of Mexico have expected to
Experience Longitude 184.31 W
Latitude 21.06 N

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Saturday March 25
Plenty of wind sailing along in fine Mile Land in sight about 70 Miles off Sooke Coast in about 3 or 4 o'clock all hands in good spirits thinking of Sooke, Mellows & their delicacies, Spirits peculiar to this most favoured Clime

Longitude 156 30 W
Latitude 21 00 N

Sunday March 26 1843
We are now lying at Anchor, all hands are getting ready to go on shore expecting to obtain Green food, remain on board to-night, Chief, Men & Women the long boat crew left to check & Thus terminated a Sabbath & happy Christmas, in Christian Sociability & Total Abstinence Tea & Coffee brought up at the Cookers, blue stuff & Dinner served up, Porpoises offered pretty much in the same way as at Sooke we all much as the Coal and wood on board

Monday 27 1843
February the first
Land on shore for water all hands being on board the Land plenty of Goats and sweet potatoes, we they lived high; at night a crowd Indians boats from the Ships came to Gorge in to make the Quarter Pleasant, these Indians gave our fellows Juice an insight into the way they should procure any little things they might desire while lying here and many other things little time it they plunged

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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Tuesday March 28 1843
The Ladies [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] this place as that [illegible] [illegible] that, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] some [illegible] on the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], we have [illegible] there [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Wednesday March 29 1843
The Captain [illegible]
[illegible] on Liberty to day [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to see the Ladies [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] on going ashore the first thing [illegible] makes me feel so much [illegible] [illegible] one [illegible] one's duty [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with their easy manner of conversation and [illegible] [illegible] take a great many little Liberties, which are not fashionable in our Country [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] good looking, [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] I have been [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] books they [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] this [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] 30th

[illegible]

Liberty to go on [illegible]
the Ladies, I dont know [illegible]
I might as well have [illegible]
[illegible] we are now to stream
[illegible] to the Corpses
[illegible] being [illegible] for
Lucknow [illegible] this city, [illegible]
[illegible] means of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] one
[illegible] [illegible] continued [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] (sea)
[illegible] [illegible] which
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the peak of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] with the Mariners

Sunday March 31st 1843

Calcutta Roads, [illegible]
[illegible] & enjoy [illegible] [illegible]
being much more pleasant, now
[illegible] being requisitely [illegible]
[illegible] to the Corpses [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] made quite a [illegible] of [illegible]
at home, & [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] just in the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
a good deal of trouble altogether the
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
& this evening left [illegible]
but he was brought on board
by some boat, [illegible] [illegible] in a
high state of Mania [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to Mount — for the
edification of a few select
[illegible] from the [illegible]

[illegible]
in Coming, and we got the Chain
we may get off to Day's Sentence
Was Painted on Rather Stiff
S. Cloud Island on Above this
Morning Took Position the Fort
Was about to Fire at Us Ships
Was Nuffing Due Stone Fort
the Batteries on the South and
the Half Moon Stone Fort. Ships
Was in Rows in the Fort
Pot under Way at 4 P.M.
Returned for Nashoro by the Land
at 8 P.M, Reefed all Little Topsails
and Layed Two all Night

Friday April 10 1843
Saint in Light
and the beautifull Island
Makes quite an improving
Prospect it being Called
the Queen of all the Mississippi
Islands, at 8 A.M. Went on
Shore to do some business,
it is quite a City for this part
of the world, We remained all
day Had a Pleasable Morning
the Island and Went on
board at 5 P.M. —

Saturday April XII
Rising Winds from
S. all Hig Sails, single
Reefed, Travelled Light of Land
Potentiary on most part all
night Tow Path being quite
unwell with Rheumatism
all hands in good Spirits
only Wound Some of them

[illegible]

[illegible] going [illegible] them
[illegible] stop [illegible]
[illegible] this, I believe the old
Billy has got her lower jib
full

Longitude 158.23 W
Latitude 22.5 N

Sunday April 12 1843
Strong Trades all
day Larboard Watch's night
took in the mainsail and
double reefed the topsails, all
hands on deck, Lowery and
Harrigan sick only sea sick
Dymon [illegible] told
a pretty good yarn last
night, we will call it a Crab
story and about the biggest
one I ever heard, He says the
California Crabs are so large
that men going into the
water to collect shells are
often caught by the leg and
held there by them, Shoulders
under the water, cries and
death of course ends the life
of the unfortunate being,
(I forgot to mention they always
go in search of shells when the
tide is out)

Longitude
Latitude 23.36 N

Monday April 13 1843
Strong Trades
heavy sea Old Billy bobbing
through all hands on deck
employed in stowing away
provisions and getting ready
for the blubber for the [illegible]
[illegible] to be [illegible] to our lying in

[illegible] and the same [illegible] [illegible] Breeze [illegible], [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] cases of the Cramp [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Longitude 159.26 W
Latitude 26.24 S

Tuesday April 11 1843

[illegible] breezes and heavy sea [illegible] no fish of any kind to be seen. Men employed in stowing away provisions and getting ready for some of the north [illegible] Indicators [illegible] still on the sick list and [illegible] very likely soon to come off [illegible] Fiddle is out of tune. One of our brave gentlemen has got the Cramp

Longitude 160.20 W
Latitude 26.28 S

Wednesday April 12 1843

Good strong winds from N.E. Sea gone down some fine weather, Men employed getting ready to [illegible] our last Whale, for as long as we keep it on deck we are sure not to get another, [illegible] getting better, [illegible] not heard of [illegible] [illegible] Cramp [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Plenty of Whales [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] we may [illegible]

Longitude 161.10 W
Latitude 25. S

[illegible]

[illegible]

Longitude 161° 30' W
Latitude 2° 3' N

[illegible]

[illegible]

Longitude 162° 54' W
Latitude 30° 25' N

[illegible] 15 1841

[illegible]

Longitude
Latitude 30° 49' N

[illegible]

Monday April 17th 1843

Wind [illegible] from [illegible] all hands [illegible] Bending Sails and [illegible] Smith, Patrick and Baldwin [illegible] on the sick list, Raised [illegible] at 8 P.M. Spoken [illegible] Brooks [illegible] made three efforts, the last time the whale stove the Boat all over [illegible] by Mr Morton, [illegible] the Whale got [illegible] distance we was [illegible] Boats [illegible] at 8 P.M. got the Boat [illegible] at 9 P.M. and proceeded to [illegible]

Longitude [illegible]
Latitude 33.34

Tuesday April 18.1843

Wind [illegible] from [illegible] [illegible] in all directions [illegible] Fish, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

1843 April 18

Journal of Ship [illegible] Thompson

Remarks commences [illegible] it will be some time before the wind [illegible] it is a beautiful [illegible] the gentlemen with the [illegible] and coming on slowly

Longitude 162.45 W
Latitude 34.53 N

Wednesday April 19th 1843

[illegible] from the N. Blowing strong during the early part of the day [illegible] plenty of [illegible] in sight [illegible] getting along slowly with his boat [illegible] in the West [illegible]

Longitude 162.36 W
Latitude 34.13 N

Thursday April 20, 1843

[illegible] from the N. [illegible] the [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible], Remains the same.

Middle Longitude [illegible] 160.30 W
Latitude 35.00 34.17 N

Friday April 21 1843

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] ... good entertainment in- [illegible] ... thought to ... [illegible] Bible. Nothing [illegible] ... in our hold ... [illegible] ... Night [illegible] ... we have our ... [illegible]

Longitude 156.24 W
Latitude 35.47 N

Saturday April 22, 1843
Moderate breeze

[illegible] ... Hatch [illegible] in all parts in all directions from [illegible] to [illegible] have not seen any of [illegible] 250 bls [illegible] got all [illegible] Peabuck and the [illegible] with ~~the~~ [illegible] who is coming on board

Longitude 156.02 W
Latitude 38.53 N

Sunday April 23. 1843
Strong winds from S.E. [illegible] weather thick and rainy [illegible] under close reefed topsails, [illegible] ... from 12 all [illegible]

Longitude 155.11 W
Latitude 40.30 N

[illegible]

Wednesday April 24th 1843

Wind blowing strong from S. E. from Sunset to Sunrise which caused strong roll. All Topsails close reefed at 10 P.M. blowing a second Tack in fore and main Brazen Topsail's and left the fore offness at 2 P.M. wind changed round to West

Longitude [illegible] W
Latitude [illegible] S

Thursday April 25. 1843

Strong breezes for S.W. Cloudy and Weather fine clear and cold, Men employed in rigging, up old sails, Coopers work between Decks which makes it more pleasant this cold weather for them. Not much doing in the whaling line have not seen a stock of any kind for house keep.

Longitude 152° 38" 30 W
Latitude 47° 24 N

Wednesday April 26th 1843

Wind blowing strong from S.W. Clear cold weather, Sperm Whale spouting close to, but the [illegible] not seen any of them 200 bbls Sperm Oil transferred from Hogsheads, preparing Casks and Ship's Hold, the men employed with a fine fresh weather blowing and cold. Saw Large whales and had them in chase but [illegible]

Longitude 151 29 W
Latitude [illegible] S

Thursday April 27th

Wind blowing from S.W. Clear cold weather, blowing [illegible] Sperm Whales, but [illegible]

No. 43
April 24

Journal of Lieut William Thompson

At 10 A.M. saw a Sperm whale ahead about 3 miles off. Lowered two boats & he proved to be a Right whale and cut off the Boats have been running after him in all directions until 5 P.M. when they came to a Dead Calm & then they lowered again for the last time & have been running all day for nothing. The whale gave the boat is done comfortably not seen one since. Noon this settling time fine. Distance from one Dome fish about here

Longitude 150.24 W
Latitude 46.15 N

Sunset Apr 8 1843

Strong gales of wind from W. N. W. heavy sea not much blowing overhead weather hazy, lo, rough for odd days employment, but lifting fails, Plenty of Whales fish could not follow after them be seen 4 close to the ship all the time they have been down Mast head in every direction blowing, the day tomorrow are expected free from the other porpoise

Longitude 150.37 W
Latitude 46.0 N

Wednesday April 24 1843

Fished hard for some hours of thick weather heavy sea. Plenty of whales but not one fast. Fished to shell the centre in exceedingly cold, moonlight from taken in view of the Dome. Noon comming. Lots the latest heading towards Longitude 150.27
Latitude 45.16

[illegible]

Sunday April 30 1843
[illegible] fine wind
coming from the N, [illegible]
[illegible] of them
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
At 3 [illegible] raised a
whale on the [illegible]
[illegible]
about in all directions, until
[illegible] could not do any
thing with him the whales do
not [illegible] long enough, it
[illegible] of these
[illegible] the [illegible] whale is
[illegible]
[illegible]

Longitude 150.20 W
Latitude 46.30 N

Monday May 1 1843
Strong Gales from
the W. [illegible] plenty of rain
weather thick and foggy did
not see any whales [illegible]
down below, [illegible] employed
in [illegible]

Longitude 147.23 W
Latitude 47.26 N

Tuesday May 2. 1843
wind has moderated
a good deal since yesterday weather
very fine and [illegible] raised
whales but could not find them
after [illegible] we raised
another [illegible] he also disappeared
[illegible] the
[illegible] getting
[illegible] whale [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Longitude 147.2 W
Latitude 50.32 N

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Bright
Longitude 149° 3' W
Latitude 51° 20' N

Thursday May 4 1843

Strong breeze from
the Westward with heavy squalls
Bright weather, Saw
Birds in flight
Wind S.E. Fine weather, Made
Sail to the Southward
Distance run 109 miles to all Bright

Longitude 149° 13' W
Latitude 51° 20' N

Friday May 4 1843

Strong breeze from
the Westward with heavy squalls
Bright weather, Saw Birds in flight
Wind S.E. Fine weather, Made
Sail to the Southward
Distance run 109 miles to all Bright

Longitude 149° 12' W
Latitude 52° 38' N

Saturday May 5 1843

Beautiful weather Light
breezes from the Southward, Passed
a small Iceberg, Saw Birds in flight
Wind S.E. Fine weather, Made
Sail to the Southward
Distance run 120 miles to all Bright

Longitude 149° 30' W
Latitude 53° 03' N

Thursday May 12 1843
Strong breeze of
wind from N.E. & N.N.E. accompanied
by showers of hail & snow
steel blue sky right ahead 2 P.M.
Got in Walrus land from Frozen
sea been lying two weeks
closed received Mr. Ross
and Spencers

Longitude 149° 30' W
Latitude 53° 15' N

Sunday May 7 1843
Nothing remains
of the ice but a heavy swell
which does not go down & will
come into sight before
morning, Plenty of birds in sight
fast and then they disappear
the sun, man taken down with the
cramp, lying two under the
coil and Wheelers

Longitude 149° 5' W
Latitude 52° 05' N

Monday May 8 1843
Weather has moderated
but the air remains cold and
unpleasant, not a whale in
sight. It is to bad good weather
should not be both on the N.W.
and we ground north with time
both latitude, Mesh employed
in getting the Blubber down in
Sacks, Peter Hennigan
is confined with the cramp

Longitude 149° 9' W
Latitude 53° 21' N

Tuesday May 1843
Noise, blowing from
N.N.W. weather foggy & sleet falling
the wind is blowing so hard
been employed in Picking Oakum

Thursday, 11th William Thompson

Produced by Grinding Lances
at 8 P.M. Wind a little moderate
Lee Bow and Stern two Boats
to Lower from Shore at 6 P.M. paised
a wreck, proved to be the same
ship we spoke some days ago
off Ik

Longitude 149° W
Latitude 53° 16' S

Friday May 12 1843

Weather fine Lovely
very thick cabin Dreadful
Dark. Wind their could be fresh
fine weather in a place we
have been such Gales for
the last Month. Wind N.
seems the fine weather is only
remaining now at 8 P.M.
Lowered a Whale on our
Bow Secured at the Wind
had carried not yet prevailing
after Breaking from mettle
Crew, we came round
the Starboard and carrying
more on Flute

Longitude 148° 51' W
Latitude 53° 16' S

[illegible]

[illegible] 1843

[illegible] commenced

[illegible] at 8 P.M. we

[illegible] Whale and Sperm

[illegible] after chasing them large

[illegible] 12 Took it in on the head

[illegible] Boats came

on board & filled the Ship. Barclay

1000 miles North Whale rise. Luffed

to the Wind for the Night in the

morning all hands

Longitude 149° 20 W

Latitude 53° 6' N

Wednesday May 13. 1843.

Moderate winds

from N. at 4 P.M. raised a

Whale & lowered 2 boats and struck

him from Drew. We made

several attempts to strike him

again but could not he went

to windward leaving struck

iron behind the chase there

[illegible] not get any oil

we get all the utensils and

[illegible] from gall drawer

[illegible] will [illegible]

Longitude 149° 30 W

Latitude 53° 20 N

Thursday May 14 1843

Wind Whaling

Weather fine calm Very Just

cold enough raised a Whale on

the weather bow at 6 P.M. lowered

after breakfast after [illegible] time

we struck him and [illegible]

the [illegible] drew [illegible] the Whale

towed to windward the Boats

[illegible] they are [illegible]

to Pole Mast [illegible] this whale

[illegible] at 2 P.M. came

on board with [illegible] all hail

Longitude 153° 40 W

Latitude 54° 50 N

[illegible] 15 [illegible]

[illegible] and pleasant [illegible] Whaling wind [illegible] at 8 [illegible] raised a whale off [illegible] lowered two boats [illegible] finding the fish was going much faster than the [illegible] boats [illegible] through [illegible] come on board again at 4 P.M. ½ we raised one on the lee beam lowered two boats and [illegible] struck [illegible] got the head all [illegible] we have come [illegible] the two boats for two hours on a [illegible] Boy [illegible] cut [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] had [illegible] [illegible] —

Longitude 148.40 W
Latitude 53.16 S

Tuesday May 16. 1843

Good Whaling Weather

Smooth and pleasant at 8 A.M. raised a Whale on our Larboard Bow lowered three boats and [illegible] after twenty [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] could [illegible] so [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to help [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] obliged to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] through [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] lowered two boats [illegible] and killed him [illegible] alongside at [illegible] [illegible] he will make about 150 bbls

Longitude 148 50 W
Latitude 53.50 S

[illegible]

Wednesday May 17 1843
[illegible] Pleasant
weather Employed [illegible] all
hands [illegible] this morning at
[illegible] the whale [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] we have
[illegible] only 15 [illegible]
[illegible] oil, [illegible]
[illegible] at 4 P.M. [illegible] begun
to [illegible]
we have [illegible]
in the Blubber room
Longitude 148°20 W
Latitude 54°11 N
Thursday May 18 1843
This morning
began to boil the [illegible]
all [illegible] like [illegible]
[illegible] begun [illegible]
all we want is Blubber
[illegible] is the fish [illegible]
[illegible] going [illegible]
[illegible] 1000 Bbls [illegible]
at 4 P.M. [illegible] began to [illegible]
[illegible] we [illegible] have
to through [illegible] westward.
Longitude 147°50 W
Latitude 53°20 N
Friday May 19 1843
All hands [illegible]
on the Blubber it is [illegible]
[illegible] weather [illegible] all
the time [illegible] it
[illegible] as it takes [illegible] longer
[illegible] out [illegible] would
[illegible] know they [illegible] they
are [illegible] 12 [illegible] is [illegible]
[illegible] we cannot boil the
pots more than half full

[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] night [illegible]
since we left Bedford [illegible]
strong [illegible] came [illegible]
we had to stop boiling
and stake in the forecastle

Longitude 147..7 W
Latitude 54..29 N

Saturday May 20 1843

Calm, mild and beautiful everything of the late gale has entirely disappeared except some little swell we will be done boiling by noon and then get ready for another whale at 10 A.M. raised a Whale on our Lee Bow lowered our Boats but the lost the Men of them came on board and went to dinner

Longitude 147..15 W
Latitude 54..29 N

Sunday May 21 1843

This day commences with Light winds from the S.W. All hands on deck at half past 4 stowing down our fish to night whale it is all over and now for another tomorrow at 10 P.M. spoke the Margarate Scott of New Bedford 29 months 9 hundred [illegible] two other ships in sight, Young the mates Bully is down with a oil feaver –

Longitude 147..40 W
Latitude 55..10 N

Captain William Thompson

Monday May 22. 1843
Lat. Shallow Large
from Fish & Cole Blue Fishing
in 10 F. Mo
allow a dead Heat from North
East Lowered the Boat Went
down to get Trim expecting
a breeze to find a Humpback
Whale but could not find out
he was only a small calf, Made
fast, Strength Trim, & the Whale
dead out Trim Hoisted out
dead Went to bed

Longitude 148 " 00 W
Latitude. 55 15 N

Tuesday May 23. 1843
Beautiful foggy
dead calming considerable
Bad Weather with the Dancing
Spirit made — for me am glad
it is after all my trouble
we have made no only lighten
Ballast Made a Good deal
more Oil than we large
fish. Cook Morris Bailey Hawley
Stove other two, numerous
to mention Blow fish

Longitude 148 " 10 W
Latitude 55 " 20 N

Wednesday May 24 1843
Beautiful Weather
Commenced Hoisting from Forward
to the Blubber Room at 4 P.M.
Cleared up Light and Spanned
Made big half a Bale. Afternoon
Strong Breeze Light and Cloudy
Cutting down to Stage and Trimmed
Boiled down the Last Blubber
my Hand Hurt in Hoisting
and Blubber Knife through Hand
in Forward —

Longitude
Latitude.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] white [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
five [illegible] [illegible] in W. D. L.
raised a Whale [illegible] [illegible] lowered
the [illegible] Boat went down
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Jonas Drew — [illegible] [illegible]

Longitude 147.42 W
Latitude 55.06 N

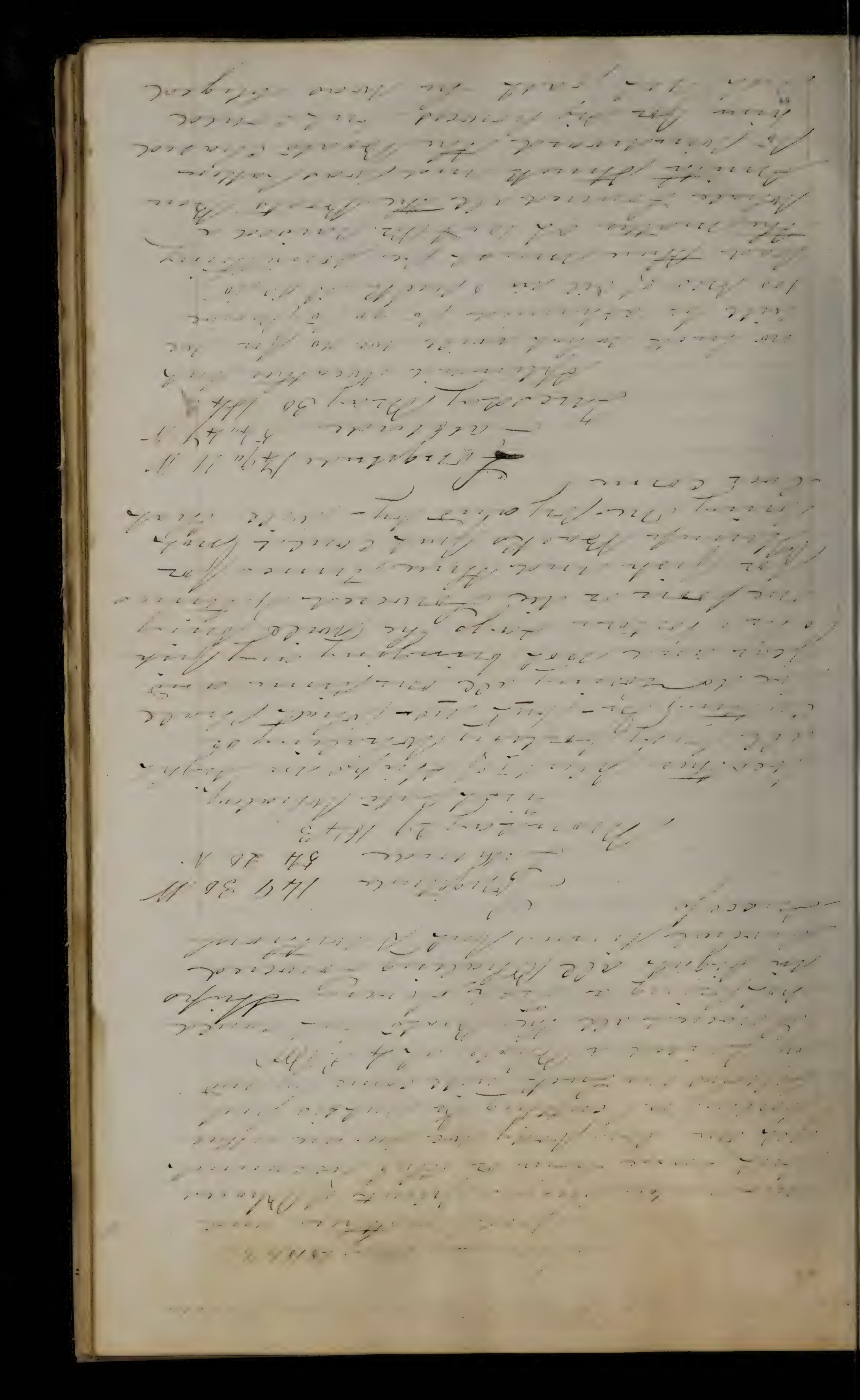
Friday May 26 1843

Commences [illegible]
[illegible] whaling [illegible] [illegible] doing
[illegible] [illegible] side of the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] going to put in the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] has
had [illegible] [illegible] we lowered
three times but did not get
fast dont know what's the matter
[illegible] must come [illegible] by

Longitude 148.30 W
Latitude 55. 2 N

Saturday May 27 1843

Plenty of Whales and
lots of Ships no less than seven
[illegible] [illegible] fifty [illegible] [illegible] and
cutting we lowered Boats four
times but could not strike them
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the matter,
they think they are [illegible] [illegible]
the [illegible] the Captain hopes
[illegible] [illegible] will be so [illegible]
[illegible] we will not be able to [illegible]
[illegible] Whales in any [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Boats [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] Longitude 147.11 W
Latitude 54.45 N



[illegible]

[illegible]

Longitude 147.55
Latitude 54.26

Wednesday May 31

Fine weather but no whales in sight, at 3 P.M. raised a whale, lowered the boats but before we came on board and took in [illegible] point below and turned in. Men completely tired out with the previous days work. Cook on the sick list &c

Longitude 147.31 W
Latitude 54.32 N

Thursday June 1 1843

Another month gone and nothing to fill up the belly of Billy Thompson whale bottle &c. [illegible] at 3 this morning lowered all the boats but got nothing at 10 A P.M. raised more fish lowered and struck one but the line parted

Longitude 148.55 W
Latitude 54.28 N

Friday June 2 1843

Good fine whaling weather but some how or other we are to be amongst the unfortunate this season we cannot find whales with the weather or a sign of [illegible] for we are growing [illegible] by sight and are [illegible] by day what will become of us I do not know. Lowered twice but could not get any struck spoke

[illegible] the Weather
[illegible] very [illegible]
[illegible] safely

Longitude 147.50
Latitude 34.40
Latitude from 3 to 43
Hence Little Boy this
morning and we can see some
2 or 3 miles from the Ship James
Munroe bearing away a few miles
[illegible] enough to [illegible] some of his
[illegible] threads for some [illegible]
at 10 A.M. we hoisted some [illegible]
[illegible] we came to which could see
[illegible] of them [illegible] 6 P.M. the
James Munroe raised a whale
towed one boat back with
the piece for

Longitude 148.00 W
Latitude 55.00 N
Latitude from 43 to 45
This morning [illegible]
blowing weather fine [illegible]
and [illegible] Dale [illegible]
at 8, at 5 A.M. we hoisted a fish
2 [illegible] on the lee bow [illegible]
towed for the fish [illegible] fine
[illegible] down and [illegible]
[illegible] for the [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] 148.11 W
[illegible] 55.20 N
Bearing from 5 to 43
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] the last a little
[illegible] fog have not been a fish
to day we are all ready for another
the [illegible]

Longitude 149 20 W
Latitude 55 12 N

Tuesday June 6 1841

Unpleasant foggy
weather busy boiling and this
whale almost as fat as the last
he was first thought he was a dry
this shope we may only get about
twenty of sutch chaps spoke the
ship Pocahontas Capt 20 months out 1900 got
seven 100 on this ground and
left Monday three weeks after us
this is doing what I call a small
profitable business — wind begins
to blow quite fresh hope it will
come to be a gale

Longitude 149 36 W
Latitude 55 10 N

Wednesday June 7 - 1843

Bad boiling weather
had to cool down last night
wind came on to blow a storm
took fore and main topsails
and close reefed main topsail
all hands employed boiling out
hope to be done by tomorrow night
we have got a real North West fog
for one can hardly see a ships length

Longitude 148 40 W
Latitude 54 40 N

Thursday June 8 1843

Weather bad and foggy
nothing to do in the whaling line
for some boiling [illegible] to
[illegible] down tomorrow if the
weather will permit there
two more to come [illegible] look

[illegible] to day
[illegible] the weather North West
breathe

Longitude 148 31 W
Latitude 54 = 56 N

Friday June 9 1843

Weather Thick and foggy
Some rain all hands on deck
coopering Oil Make a deadfull
hammering wish we could Keep
it up For some time at 2 P.M.
Spoke the Indian Chief She has
got 900 Thousand Poles in 15 days
cuts off a Whale head in ten Minutes
the same takes us some 2 hours
we feel rather flat as does Mr
Norton cannot help it

Longitude 148 45 W
Latitude 55 20 N

Saturday June 10 1843

Weather same as yesterday
only a shade more unpleasant
if possible then employed in
stowing down our last Venture
God Knows how long we may
be before we get another Our
Pig-fat Pigs to day, this being the
Most unfortunate Item in the days
work

Longitude 149 = 45 W
Latitude 54. 26 N

Sunday June 11 1843

This day commenced
with fog and strong gales
blowing as much of Water this
we meet and cannot be relieved
in more than a week long
Going had disappointed as usual
[illegible] 2 do not know

Now long this will last, at 2 P.M.
Raised Whales with Fin [illegible]
Fin Back

Longitude 150 " 24 W
Latitude 54 " 24 N

Monday June 12 " 1843

Wind blowing fresh
cannot see any Whales plenty of Fin
and Humpe Backs in sight. Weather
inclined to be thick. Men employed
in setting frame and stowing Oil
below. We have completely got out
of the Whales and what is much
more disagreable, we struck Fresh
Water to fast Freeze at 2. P.M. Raised
a Sail on our Weather Bow coming
down for us. It proved to be the Europa
at 3 P.M. spoke the Chariot. Both
Captains came on board for a
Gam —

Longitude 150 " 00 W
Latitude 55 " 20 N

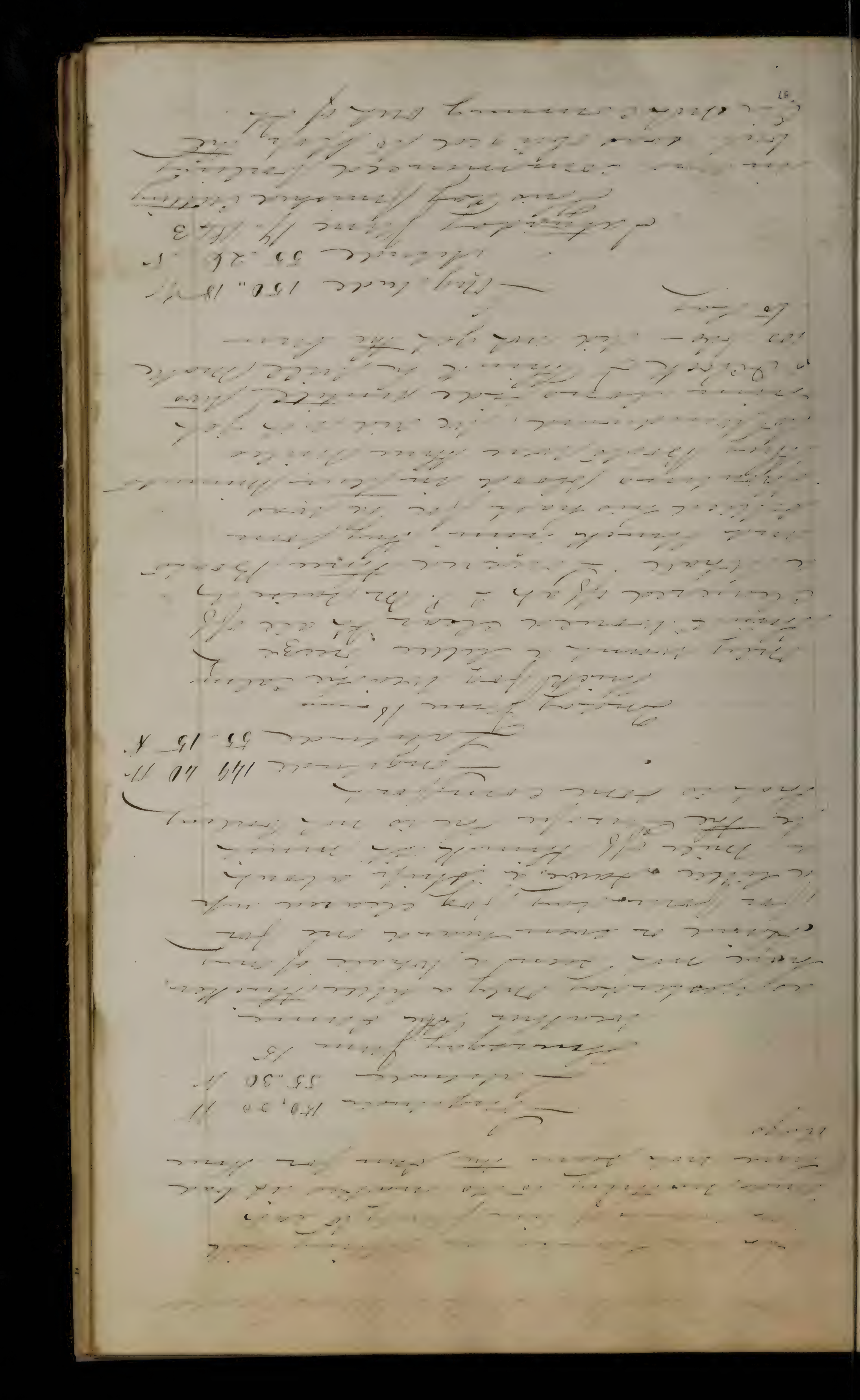
Tuesday June 13 " 1843

Weather Thick and foggy
It is almost so cold I cannot
see hair of Gotten [illegible]
over the [illegible] this
season [illegible] we
should have got out with the
Many Not much doing on board
today only talking about the
Death of Tyler Shepherd and Lefferty
Poor Fellows hard fate

Longitude 150 " 20 W
Latitude 55 " 10 N

Wednesday June 14 1843

Thick foggy Weather
Thick foggy cold and [illegible]
[illegible] the Latter Men
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]



[illegible]
[illegible]
is now a thick fog can hardly
see the length of the ship to send
to get another fish tomorrow
Carpenter taken sick this
morning

Longitude 149 30 W
Latitude 55 26 N

Sunday June 18 1843
Fog — Fog nothing
but fog so we will be even have
a time [illegible] again all hands
on deck the fog horn began
to blow loud but was obliged
to stop cannot get the oil
out of the cooper will wait
till dark tomorrow being
no oil this morning and
we now stand for Cape
Plathe

Longitude 148 00 W
Latitude 55 24 N

P.M. at 4 P.M. lowered and struck
a small bull from down before
another took a harpoon. It was
in a thick fog

Monday June 19 1843
Weather something
more clear than yesterday. All
hands employed in boiling
at 5 A.M. raised a Whale lowered
three Boats but could not
strike him came on board
at 9 A.M. at 3 P.M. raised
Whales lowered but did not
strike. Three ships in sight
all boiling one of them got
one of our Gallyed Mates

Longitude 146 24 W
Latitude 55 37 N

[illegible]

Longitude 146° 14' W
Latitude 35° 15' S
Distance 28 Miles

All hands employed in boiling, seems to be a very fat whale think he will make about 100 bls Weather rather inclined to be squally have not seen any whales to day saw a large body grass the ship this morning at 3 P.M. saw the Barth Rapah but did not speak her Lat. Wind blowing quite fresh the tons boiling

Longitude 146° 00' W
Latitude 35° 42' S

Saturday June 24 1843

Not much doing, in the fish line, have not been any whales for two days weather, rainy and, rather fresh have done little but sleep to day John S Hawley and Jack the Blacksmith are down for over with Lame Backs. Finished boiling want another chap, now, must get one tomorrow

Longitude 145° 15' W
Latitude 35° 30' S

Sunday June 26 1843

All hands employed in stowing down our last fish, will make about 100 bbls

[illegible] the other [illegible] fully fine
[illegible] carpenter got out of
the [illegible], at 4 P.M. chased a sip
near the ship towed three boats
[illegible] could, but [illegible] near them
at 7 P.M. came on board work in
[illegible] and went to Bed to dream
of better luck

Longitude 144° 23' E
Latitude 55° 38' N

Monday June 26 1843

Blowing a fresh
gale wind from the E. all hands
down below nothing doing but
eating and sleeping laying to
under one topsail Hayward
and Close relieved Mann Hayward
John Tiquley and Hendrick
Dirk James Brewster improving
a little

Longitude 146° 00' E
Latitude 55° 35' N

Tuesday June 27 1843

Light fine good course
time to go the swell weather
[illegible] settled down we will
be fine and then for the fish
we have been nothing in the
shape of fish to day fine weather
looks thick bright at times some
[illegible] and enough to allow us
to lower either if we have
[illegible]

Longitude 145. 31 E
Latitude

Wednesday June 28. 1843
Weather somewhat
more moderate than yesterday
seen a ship bearing to the North
[illegible] that is [illegible]

at 11 A. M.
Carolina [illegible]
commenced to spout water
[illegible] at 3 P. M. Lowered all our
boats the harpooner struck
and killed him in about 6 hours
and then dark boats came
on board at 10 o'clock took in
[illegible] to tow

Longitude 147° 29' W
Latitude 55° 20' N

Thursday June 29th 1843
Pleasant weather [illegible]
all, usual we lowered at 4 A. M. for
the whales, but could not get in
them came on board [illegible]
lowered 3 times during the day
but unfavorable [illegible]
in sight one calling for the other
calling, and we as usual closing
pottering this vessel get the Aphemoid
[illegible] Thermometer [illegible]

Longitude 146° 49' W
Latitude 55° 31' N

Friday June 30 1843
This day commenced with
fine pleasant breeze [illegible]
large pieces of ice and some snow
in [illegible] but [illegible] get fast [illegible]
lowered three times during the day [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Bell Buoy
[illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
in sight.

Longitude 146° 53' W
Latitude 56° 37' N

Friday July 7th 1843

Commencing with pleasant weather
I commenced of breaking all
hands to work boiling and
cleaning down hawsers and seen
some breaking going on to day
no ships in sight I found no
whales Mr Norton I spoke to
the Master about not getting the
some pitched fast enough he
said I could get any body
aboard the ship that wanted
work we better to get them for
trade

Longitude 146 ° 54 ' W
Latitude 33 ° 58 ' S

Saturday July 8th 1843
Good Whaling
weather and plenty of ships
in sight all busy some
boiling some cutting in,
at 4 P. M. raised a Whale
off the Bakes fastened and
killed all hands at 10 P. M.
got aboard came on board
whale went off

Longitude
Latitude 35 ° 55 ' S

Sunday July 9 1843
Fine weather some
ships in all doing something
and plenty of whales in sight
at 4 P. M. raised two fish on
the Beam I proved Ben
Smith Starch and Tom
all hands made a dig at him
at 4 P. M. Mr Norton gave out
and came on board I then
went down my self and
struck him at 6 P. M.
killed him got him along
side

at 5 P.M. [illegible] in [illegible]
but the [illegible] he is a very
laugh fish

Longitude 147.30 W
Latitude

Monday July 10 1843
Good weather a
little too much sea for
cutting in began at 12 A.M.
at 6 P.M. got him in it was
the [illegible] job I ever had
everything went badly [illegible]
hooks broke loos several times
at noon wore ship and cut
him in to Leeward he has
filled our blubber room full
[illegible] and [illegible]
to bed

James. B. Wood

Longitude 146.50 W
Charles L. Wood Latitude 56..05 N
his receipt will be Tuesday July 11
your Discharge This day begins with
thick fog [illegible] we are
[illegible] with [illegible] 22 [illegible]
[illegible] to stow down and
the blubber room full commenced
stowing ~~this~~ morning at 3 A.M.
got ~~through~~ at 1.5 P.M. at 5 P.M.
began to boil think this chap will
make 150 Brls all hands in good
spirits but want a little sleep

Longitude 148.00 W
Latitude 55 40 N

Wednesday July 12 1843
Thick fog and very
unpleasant weather all hands
[illegible] and sleeping some [illegible]
of work now a days at 10 A.M. [illegible]
the [illegible] [illegible] Thibault
[illegible] [illegible] two [illegible] captain
[illegible] [illegible] board.

Longitude 147.10 W
Latitude 55..58 N

[illegible] for South
of [illegible] this state will prove
[illegible] P. M. this is the Longest
[illegible] we have come across yet
[illegible] the Ship of Sag Harbour
two bbls 7 months out Captain Conn
On board we have lost 4 lines with
one fish and lost 2 irons also have
not seen any Whales for five days

Longitude 140 25 W
Latitude 55 35 N

Friday July 14 1843

This day commences
with thick fog and rain men
employed in Coopering Oil. three
ships in sight have not seen any
Whales since the fourth at 7 P. M.
spoke the Arabella of Sag Harbour
only wants two more Whales to fill
up I went on board saw Capt.
of the Alexander Barcley and
the Captain of the Bark N. America
at 8 P. M. came on board took tea
and went to bed

Longitude 140 10 W
Latitude 55 22 N

Saturday July 15. 1843

This day commences with
thick fog and some rain all
hands employed in stowing down
not much doing in the Whale line
cannot see any trace about
these diggings for the two day
we have seen several ships in sight
and spoke some but they two have
lost the run of them we will
fall in with them soon I hope

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Longitude 145 50 W
Latitude 56 06 N

[illegible] 1843

[illegible] fine light airs of
[illegible] Commence [illegible]
[illegible] by right at sun rise we
[illegible] this night having the
[illegible] seem to be looking for whale
[illegible] there [illegible] to the
[illegible] ship which stood to the ship
have seen nothing to day

Longitude 148.17
Latitude 55.20

Wednesday July 12th 1843

Fine day and nothing
in sight all round Crown poledit
mending and getting ready for
another fish I have over get one
at 2 P.M. spoke the Stephano of
New Bedford sight Homeward this
season Captain Collins came
on board for a gam he has
not been any whales for 7 days
bound home with 200 bbls to free up and
then away for home

Longitude 148.11 W
Latitude 55 51 N

Tuesday July 18th 1843

Winds from S West
heading S.S.E at 5 P.M tacked to the Westward
employed setting up Shooks and getting ready
for another whale. nothing in sight but even
a finback Cow Help up

Lat Obs'd 55.49 N
Long by Chro 148 12 W

Wednesday July 19th 1843

Very fine weather
throughout the day heading to the Westward
employed picking Bakum & Cooper at work
setting up and repairing Shooks. Mr Norton
says something tells him the whales are off
Long Charlotte Island, think they off
Hawaii, at 10 A.M got Lunar Obs the Longitude
reduced to noon was 148.20 W. By Chron 149.8
Lat by obs 55 46 N

Thursday July 20th

Fair and weather the same as on the preceding day Steering West under all sail bent new Main Topsail, at 5 A.M passed Ship Boiling, which makes us feel rather wolfish, not having seen a whale these 12 days hope to see some soon. Billy's belly getting hungry

Lat by Obs 55.31 N
Long by Chro 151,15 W

Friday July 21st

Beautiful weather, this day has been one of the finest the season, two carcases in sight, and lots of grampuss and porpoises. but no whales altered the course S. East this Morning in hopes to see them, but to no purpose, think the whales have all left the Ground, passed several logs of wood during the day they all appear to have been at sea a long time, passed several strips of green water

Lat by Obs. 55 17 N
Long by Chro. 151.09 W

Saturday July 22d

Charming weather with a light breze from North Steering S. East under all sail at 8 A.M Spoke Ship Swerick Heinakin of Bremen 10 months out 1100 bbls whale oil having taken 900 this season. Went on board and Spent the day with Capt Freida and Sally. he has not got a whale this ten days, thinks the whales are to the westward So thinks I, and away goes Billy after them

Lat by Obs 54.41 N
Long by Chro 151 06 W

Sunday July 23d

Fresh breezes from S.S.W for the most part of the day heading to the S. East saw four Ships heading to the westward under all sail, a sure sign of no whales in this vicinity of the right kind. very green water, great numbers of humpbacks and finbacks in sight

Lat by Obs 53.40 N } Lat by Acct 54 06 N Mistake
Long by Chro 151.57 W } Long by Acct 151.15 W

bares from [illegible] Commences strong
and squally heading
to the E.S.East at 1 P.M. spoke the Dark Rye 650 bls
the season not 7 p.M tacked to the Westward and Shortens
sail. humpbacks and finbacks in sight but no right
Whales Latter part foggy Weather Sun Obscured
Lat by Acct 53:55 N
Long by Acct 152.10 W

Tuesday July 25th
Fresh Gales from South
With a heavy sea from the N.W, Ships heading W by S
under doubled reefed topsails at 8 P.M. wore to the
Eastward at 4 A.M wore back again Latter part Moderate
accompanied towards noon with occasional Showers
Lat by Acct 54.30 N
Long by Acct 153.03 W.

Wednesday July 26th
Rainy weather wind
S.West heading W.N.W crew Employed picking oakum
Richard Mr Rhea quite unwell to day. complains of
a pain in his chest. at 8 P.M tacked to the Southward
saw a Ship heading to the N.W at 10 A.M called the
crew aft and gave them a lecture, they went off
apparently very well satisfied Several flocks of Birds
passed over this Morning and Several finbacks
passed under the Ship
Lat by Acct 54 10 N
Long by Acct 152 55 W

Thursday July 27th
Very foggy Weather
wind from S.W Employed picking oakum Cooper at
his trade finbacks all around the Ship Latter part
fine weather got Altitudes for Chronometer and found
the Longitude to be 153.48 W this day John Thomas
resumed his duty, after lying below 12 days Feigning Sick
Lat by Observation 53.00 N
Long by Chr 153.46

This day has passed off as usual No Whales and no appe-
rance of any I think we have gone far Enough to the westward
without seeing Whales Lay about the goes to the Northward and
Eastward again but in hopes to get one or two Whales before the Season

[illegible]

Friday July 28th

[illegible] N. West and
cloudy: Weather heading N. N. East all hands
variously Employed, the Ship has been in blue water
all day and among finbacks and porpoises Sulphur
bottoms &c lowered the Boats and tried to strike one and
after dogging him about, an hour gave him up a case
at 5 P M saw Ship steering S. East with all sail out,
getting sick of N West coast think of leaving soon
unless something remarkable turns up, and that
must be a whale. Lat by Obs 54-01 N
Long by Chron 151. 19 West

Saturday July 29th

Charming Weather
Steering N. E by E under all sail Winds W. N. W
all hands anxiously looking out for the Spouters
begin to feel rather wolfish about these times. All I can
say is, Should the Bird be seen he as good as winged
for I begin to feel as if I could eat a middling size
Whale. and Mr Norton says he can make one
look like a cat eating oil Soap at 10 A M Spoke Ship
Martha of Fairhaven 36 months on 1800 bbls about
this time saw right Whale coming quick to
windward lower the Boats but could not get
near them ~~with the boats~~ superfluous at 12 came on board
Lat by Obs 53.54 N
Long by Alt 150 05 W

Sunday. July 30th

Moderate breezes from
South in Company with the Martha of Fairhaven
lots of finbacks in sight all the afternoon heard of
Huntress getting two Whales on the 28th very happy
to hear it think their is a few more about these
nigh[illegible] latter part foggy Weather looking over
the Ground in hopes to see a Whale, Glass the
day ones and we have taken nothing
Lat by Alt 53. 00. N
By a plurality of the Sun one Lat was 54.10 N
Long by Alt 149.48 W

Heard of Ship Canton ten days since with 4 Whales
this season Also Ship Maine 1 Whale

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Monday July 31st

Fresh breezes from S. East and smoky Weather heading S.W under all sail passing finbacks in all directions a poor sign for right Whales I think shall leave the Ground the first fair wind unless we see Whales. think it throwing away time cruising here. heard of only one Ship getting a Whale for the last three weeks Gave the Ship a clean wash off it being a rainy day

Lat by Acct 53. 30 N
Long by Acct. 151. 20 W

Tuesday July 31st August 1st

Rainy nasty weather heading to the Southward under doubled reefed topsails Wind from E.S.E Mr Norton feels rather indisposed to day took a dose of Salts Latter part Clear got Lunar Obs Saw Ship to Leeward heading to the Southward Employed washing Ship Outside

Lat by Obs 52 27 North
Long by My Sex 149 27 W
Long by Mr Norton 148 45 W
Do by Chron 151. 02 W

My Sextant 1 Deg 35m to the Eastward of the Chron
Mr Norton 2 Deg 23m to the Eastward of Chron

Wednesday August 2d

Fine Weather at 4 P.M saw Right Whales lowered the Boats but could not get near them, at sunset came on board Latter Part fresh breezes and squally the first squalls we have had this season. Crossed the Ground twice to day but see no Right Whales Latter part clear again

Lat by Obs 51.50 N
Long by Chron

Thursday August 3d

Strong breezes and clear Weather heading to the Southward at 2 P.M lowered for right Whales went down on to one with the Larboard Boat and was Missed by the Boatsteerer. Maybee at 4 A.M raised another one lowered the Boats but could not get near them. came on Board after it which set rain until noon

Lat by Obs 51.35 N
Long by Chron 150 00 W

Friday August 4th

Beautiful Weather one Ship in sight to the Southward Boiling, She has just now hoist off before the wind to take another I suppose I think the Capt is very fortunate in having men that will bring Whales to the Ship at 10 AM Spoke her the Frederic of Havre 12 Months out 3500 Sperm Bound Home at 6 P.M lowered for Whales but did not get any as usual and God only knows when we shall

Lat by Obs 51.48 N
Long by Chr 150.00 W

Saturday August 5th

Moderate breezes from N.E and rainy throughout the day heading to S.E Ship France in sight boiling saw grampuses and porpoises but no Whales saw Strips of Green Water occasionally

Lat by Obs 51.30 N
Long by Chr 148.30 West

Sunday August 6th

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day heading to the Eastward at 5 A.M tacked to the Westward Broke out for Bread Molasses & Flour. Latter part clear Weather

Lat by Obs 51.11 N
Long by Chr 148.28 W

Monday August 7th

Fine Weather throughout the day running here and there and everywhere after Whales but none show themselves, at 4 P.M saw Bark heading to the S. East under all sail Mr Norton unwell again, with sore throat and Cook off duty with the Rheumatism Antonio with sore Leg all times waiting to disturb the Monotony of the times

Lat by Obs 51.07 N
Long by Chr 148.00 W

Tuesday August 8th

Charming Weather heading E.S.E under all sail Employed variously during the night. Latter part light airs from S.East but soon shifted Top Sail rolled up the Clewe

Lat by Obs 50.20 N Long by Chr 148.10 W

1843 Journal of Jos Wm. Thompson

Wednesday August 9th

Brisk breezes from S.East and very fine Weather heading S.S.W Employed barbouring Bill Smith continues cook in place of Victor Paul resigned for the present Latter part calm and foggy Weather

Lat by Ast 49.17 N

Long by Ast 149.05 W

Thursday August 10th

Foggy nasty Weather Crew Employed picking Oakum Scraping Rigworks Mr Norton hove up with sore throat. Cook with the Rheumatism Antonio with sore Leg, Borland with a Dislocated Shoulder Babbet with the Sulks Mr Baker Overhowerd by the Grace of God think him to be Godly man. and one who aims to live honestly and uprightly in sight of his Creator and Redeemer bent and set fly jib saw finbacks &c &c

Lat by Obs 47.45 N

Long by Ast 147.45 W

Friday August 11th

Fine Weather Winds from S.S.W. all Sail set heading to the S.E by South Carpenters at work repairing Main Royal Mast unbent the Mainsail to repair it being calm day no prospect of a breeze soon, Struck a porpoise. Crew sick cries of Hard Hard. there appeared to be a great cry and very little fish

Lat by Obs 47.05 N

Long by Chr 147.25 W

Saturday August 12th

Refreshing Showers of rain Wind from West Steering S.S.E. bent & set fore topmast Studding sail Saw Ship Steering S.E by S

Lat by Obs 45.41 N

Long by Chro 147.15

Sunday August 13

Calm throughout the day with a Sail in sight Dick Usher had his hair cut to day that being the most important item in the days work

Lat 45.30 N

Long 147.18 W

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Monday August 14th

Light breezes from N.N.W. Steering S.S.E. under all Sail until Mid night then it became squally with rain in Steering Sails Sight reefed the topsails ends fresh Gales with a tumbling sea Saw Ship this Morning astern, the same we saw last Evening ahead which further proves Billy to be about C.K as to Sailing

Lat by Obs 43.00 N
Long by Ch 147.40 W

Tuesday August 15th

Fresh Gales from N.E and thick Weather Steering S.S.E at 6 P.M. took in the Bow and Waist boat and Doubled reefed the topsails, Morning set all sail the Wind having hauled to the North and clearing up Employed washing the Boats

Lat by Obs. 39 36 N
Long by Chr. 148-00 West

Wednesday August 16th

Continues fresh Gales from North and squally Steering S by E pr Compass, shift and mended the Studding Sails twice during the day, feel quite ill to day, and what seems worse I have one or two Gentleman on board who try to make it their business to aggravate me. let them go it Says I, it will terminate in the End greatly to their disadvantage I think... Mr Norton in my Opinion is a very dangerous Man, that is to say he has an unruly tounge, and puts on two faces whenever he pleases I think I know him thoroughly

Lat by Obs 36.06
Long by Chr 148 08 W

Thursday August 17th

All those twenty four hours moderate breezes from N.N.W West and fine weather Steering South sent down the Royal Masts for the first time During the voyage, unbent the fore topsail Ships for one days Run happy could contentedly he has plenty to Eat, drink and Help, plenty to do and little to get

Lat by Obs 34.25 N Long by Ch 148.15 W

1845 Journal of Thos. H. Thompson

Friday August 18th

Light winds from West Getting to the Southward Slowly got up our Whale Bone and dressed it and burnished it at 10 A M Got Lunar Obs about the same time saw breaches to windward Suppose them to be jumpers or some other fabulous animal as Mr Weller says

Lat by Obs 33.05 N
Long by Chro 149.17.30 W
Long by Mr Norto Sex 147.40 W
Long by My Sex 146.59.30
Chro 149 17.30

Mean of the two Sextants 1 Deg 58m Eastward of Chro

Saturday August 19th

Light winds from W.S.W and very fine Weather Steering to S.S.W all hands hands busily Employed drying bone and other Jobs to keep Old Nick out of them

Lat by Obs 32 02 N
Long by Alt 148.20 W

Sunday August 20

Mostly Calm throughout the day ..... Heading to the Southward Nothing doing to distirb the monotony of the day until 10 this morning when the crew turned out and had a general Swimming match with the dogs and chaneka, at 11 Got Lunar Obs that being the most important Item in the days work

Lat by Obs 31.30 N
Long by Chro 149.36
Lunars -- 147 38 W

Mean of the two Sex 1 deg 58m 30" East of Chro

Monday August 21st

Calm until 4 P M when it sprung up a breeze from the N.W so set the studding sails and steered to S.S.W broke out our Beef & Pork and coopered it Got Lunar Obs. Which gives the Longitude at noon 148.15 W

Long by Chro 150 17 W
Lat by Obs 31.16 N

Mean of the two Sex 1 deg 58' 15" East of Old Chro as usual
Mean of " " " 59 minutes 30 Sec East of New Chro

1843 Journal of Ship Wm. Thompson

Tuesday August 22d

Fine breeze from N.N.East Steering S.S.W. Employed Coopering Provisions Nothing in sight not even a fin back. Dick Asher is all life and animation to day thinks he'll live some time yet I hopes so for one at any rate

Lat by Obs 29 35 N
Long by Chro 149.20 Obs
do Rew 149.22 W

Wednesday August 23d

Beautifull fine week is going along about 7 knots Steering for the Sandwich Islands finished Coopering our Beef & Pork and gave the Ship a clean Wash off it being a rainy day heard a tale to day which opened my eyes not a little

Lat by Obs 28 05 N
Mean of two Chro 150.40 W

Thursday August 24th

Light breezes with squalls of rain occasionally scraping and cleaning Ship. setting up Shooks for Water &c &c this morning found several Bundles of Bone Opened, and part of it Missing, or Stolen, malle injuries among the crew but no one knew any thing about it. Except Antonio who saw one of the crew being down two Slabs into the forecastle but who that one was is left for me to find out which I am trying to do by keeping them all deck Scrubbing & Scraping Ship and other nasty Jobs

Lat by Obs 27.11 N
Long by Chro 151.24 W

Friday August 25th

Charming Weather Wind from S.East all hands on deck Scraping and Scrubbing Ship. painting &c Saw nothing of the Whale Force at 4 P.M got altitudes for the Chronometers. which gives the Longitude 152.20 W.

Lat by Obs 25.02 N
Thermometer Stands at 78 degrees
Barometer - - 30 inch 3 tenths

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Saturday August 26th

very fine Weather wind from East Steering S.W. under all sail for the Sandwich Islands the nearest Land bearing S.W. distant 320 miles think we shall see it on the 27th. but hope to be agreeably disappointed by Sight of Sperm Whales we so anxiously watching for. at 10 A.M saw Ship Steering S.W. which chas'd us up a little

Lat by Obs 23.11 N

Long by Mean of two Chr 155.35 W

Longitude by Lunar Obs with different Sextants the Mean of which gives . . . . . 154.03 W

ance have shaped the course for Mowee according to chro

Sunday August 27th

Strong trades and fine Weather Steering S.S.W. will see the Land to-morrow if the Wind stands. at 6 A.M saw the Islands of Mowee one of the Sandwich Group bearing S.W. distant by Estimation 50 Miles at noon East point S.W. by S 25 Miles Saw Ship in Shore Steering West

Lat by Obs 21.10 N

Long by Acct 155.32 W

Monday August 28th

Strong trades Steering W by S, three Islands in Sight, namely, Mowee Morotoi, Rani at 4 P.M bent the Trains and got the Anchors off the bow at 10 A.M came to anchor in Lahaina roads. in 15 fathoms at 12 went on Shore & Whale Ships lying here all from the N. West Coast

Tuesday 29th

Calm and very Hot Weather sent a raft of casks on shore got off four load of potatoes &c on board went ashore on liberty

Wednesday 30th

Light breezes from S.W during the day and uncommonly Hot Weather one half the crew ashore on liberty this day unshipped Ship Erie of Sag Harbor 33 months out 2750 and Inbody of Brown 35,0

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Thursday August 31st
Light Airs & Pleasant the fore
as on the preceeding day one Sailor ashore on Lib-
erty as usual this day imployed Ship Logan
of New Bedford full Bound Home

Friday Sept 1st 1843
Fine Weather throughout the
day getting off running blocks &c

Saturday 2d.
Strong breezes from N.E
got off our water well stowed it sent another
raft on shore one Sailor ashore on liberty

Sunday 3d
Beautiful weather sent
all hands ashore to Church except a boat crew
no stopper on board to keep Ship at sent
they all returned on Board

Monday 4th
~~Ship~~ Discharged our
Whale Bone on board Ship Erie Capt Lane
got off a raft of water &c

Tuesday 5th
very fine Weather
this day Deserted from the Ship Robert Bator
and Francis Russell, got of some recruits &c

Wednesday 6th
Getting off recruits
turning rigging all hands on Board this day
arrived Ships South Carolina, Junior, and South Boston
also Sailed Ships Pacific on a cruise

Thursday 7th
all hands on Board
turning rigging and getting off recruits the first
John Hale Remarks

Strong Breezes from N.N.East getting Ship ready for sea Shipped Nathan Marsh Seamen Near Nothing of Robert Sator and James Tuttell

Saturday 9th
at 6 A.M. Got under weigh for the Island of Oahu where we arrived at 1 P.M., making the passage in seven Hours, at 2 Went on Shore Shipped George Buckman. at sunset sent the Boat on Board. Stopping on Shore myself

Sunday 10th
Strong Breezes at 9 A.M. the boat came ashore, soon after George Robbins Deserted from her at 3 P.M. Went on Board and Stood to sea at 12 Midnight tacked back for the Island at 5 A.M. Went on Shore again Shipped James Hall Seamen and at 3 P.M. went on Board. about the same time the United States Sloop of War Cyane Commodore Dallas arrived 52 days from Valparaiso via Callao

Monday 11th
Steering off N.N.West for the Island of Atooi without the Labron Chain
No Observation

Tuesday 12th
Very fine Weather Steering for the Island of Atooi at 12 saw off the Weather bow
No Obs

Wednesday 13th
for hogs &c
at 1 P.M. sent a boat and in the course of the afternoon procured 70 hogs some Mellons and Bananas at sunset returned on Board much pleased with our day's work and trade at 6 P.M. kept off N.N.W. for the Island of Onehow at 10 hauled to for the Night

Wednesday Sept 13th continued
At Daylight manned Boats for the Harbour at 10 A.M. sent a boat on Shore, at 12 the boat returned without any thing in her in the vegetable line made Sail once Stood to Sea
No Obs

Thursday 14th
Strong breezes from N.E heading N.N.W the Watch Employed variously three men off duty
Lat by Obs 23.06 N
Long by Chro 160 29 W

Friday 15th
Wind and Weather the same as on 14th heading to the North the Watch Employed as usual
Lat by Obs 25 35 N
Long by Chro 160.45 W

Saturday 16th
Strong breezes and squally Weather heading to the North put out the Waist Boat and took in the Bow boat to repair at Sunset in Mainsail single reefed the topsails split the Jib bent it and bent new one, repaired Bow Boat, sew Breaches to leeward looked after the sick &c
Lat by Obs 27.58 N
Long by Chro 161. 05 W

Sunday 17th
Trades getting more moderate at 6 A.M. set Main top Gallant sail cleared up decks for Sunday, put every thing in Ship Shape Order &c flayed two boys that being the most important item in the days Work
Lat by Obs 29.17 N
Long by Chro 166 08 W

Monday 18th
Wind and Weather the same as on the preceeding day steering to the North gloomy times No Whales every Body appears dumb wrote a letter to my Owners to day complaining of our Hard fate hopes to get a little sympathy from them, But methinks oil will do much better than words

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Monday Sept the 18th Continued

Continues squally with a head sea the crew Employed repairing fore topsail at 11 AM in Mainsail and fit Lat by Obs 36.10 N
Long by dect 161.10 W

Tuesday Sept 19th

Squally Weather head to the North, nothing to do but eat fresh Pork and Mash and turn out Grumbling repairing fore topsail Otis Phillips state continues to be amount of Galley and is progressing rapidly in attending. Sea Pies and duffs flippers Lot Scouse &c &c
Lat by Obs 32 15 N
Long by Chr 160.14 W

Wednesday Sept 20th

Standing to the N.E all day with a moderate breze from the Eastward employed in repairing sails saw one solitary finback & which put all hands in a needless commotion, all thinking it to be a Sperm Whale Went aloft and after seeing him or her Spout several times, went off ~~and~~ about our business having other fish to fry
Lat by Obs 33.16 N
Longitude 159.25 W

Wednesday Sept 21st

Beautiful Weather heading to the N.East Rent an Old fore topsail set Bowsprit rigging up taughts for a breze the old cook took his place in the Galley to day Otis Phillips going resigned. Bill Rennick still on the sick list thinks he gets a little better however Antonio leg seems to be getting along nicely hope to see him on deck soon James Boland shoulder gaining strength slowly in hopes to see him on deck in three weeks
Lat by Obs 34-27 N
Long by Chr 158.16 West

Friday Thursday Sept 22d

Light airs from S.East heading E.N.E.N.E finbacks in sight to the mast head at 12 Midnight the wind to

to the Southward set up fore topmast rigging, Nathan Hearsh off duty with a sprained leg Wm Tommick sick remains in the same state of Health

Lat by Obs 34.43 S
Long by Chro 156.00 W

Saturday Sept 23d

Wind from South and very fine Weather all day. Steering E by S under all Sail, the Watch Employed variously four hands off duty viz. Nathan Hearsh Wm Tommick. Antonio Albers. and James Borland. Mr Norton off duty with a cold, and ague in his face, The old Ship Billy seems almost an Hospital.

Lat by Meridian Altitude 34.43 S
Long by Chro 153.30 W

Sunday Sept 24th.

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day Steering E by S with a heavy swell from the South all Eyes out anxiously watching for the Spouters. a Whale a Whale my kingdom for Whale

Lat by Meridian Altitude 34.57 S
Longitude by Chro 151.50 W

Monday Sept 25th.

Light breezes from S.S East hauling to the E.S.E repaired the Main Sail and Main Top Sail. Wm Tommick on duty once more hope to see the others up soon

Lat by Meridian Altitude 35.26 S
Long by Acct 150.20 W

Tuesday Sept 26th

fine Weather I am tired of writing about fine Weather it has got to be quite an Old Story. I hope to find something soon to make out a days Work Mr Norton says he begins to feel hungry for Whales thinks he can go into them about fifteen fathoms or chuck up to the Bow thwart, not particular about it any way. All I can say should the Bird be seen he as good as Winged, Unbent the foresail and repaired it lay all the forenoon in a perfect calm, that's as good as one half of fair Wind as Sailors Say

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Lat by Meridian Altitude 36.02 S
Long by Chro 14.32 West

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Wednesday Sept 27th

Calm nothing to disturb the Monotony of the times - bent new Main Top Sail bro. out the after Hold for Beans, and if nothing happens shall raise the Wind before long Lat by Obs 35.46 N

Long by Chro. 148:50 W

Thursday Sept 28th

Calm throughout the day Employed painting Ship, cleaning the Iron Work we had a Shoal of Dolphins around the Ship tried to catch some. they would not bite at a Bait, had to give them up, and content ourselves by looking at them Latitude by Meridian Alt 35-11 N

Long by Chro - - 148 30 W

Friday Sept 29th

Calm, Calm scarcely a breath of Wind have we felt during the day Employed painting Ship Lat by Obs 35.03 N

Long by Chro 147.34 W

Saturday Sept 30th

Calm throughout the day painted the Larboard Side of the Ship Cooper Employed making breakers Lat by Obs 34.47 N

Long by Chro 147.35 W

Sunday ~~Sept~~ Oct 1st

Light breezes from S.E heading to the Southward latter part Squally Wea.

Lat by Obs 33.26 N

Long by Chro 147.28 W

Monday Oct 2d

Fresh breezes and Squally Weather Standing to the S.East and South Mr Norton off Duty Sick Lat by Obs 31.31 N

Long by Chr 146.51 W

Tuesday Oct 3

Strong breezes heading S.E by given up trying to get to the Eastward, shall let her go to the Southward awhile and see how the Land lies &c Mr Norton still on the Sick list. Antonio resumed his duty to day after lying below 3 Months Lat by Obs 29.26 N

Long by Chr 146.20 W

Lat by Obs 4 0 0

Fresh breezes and squally
going along about 6 knots to the S.E by S not much
doing about decks. the crew have watch and
watch below, nothing but Kill and Eat Hogs and
Potatoes, they seem too Lazy to do that Mr Norton
still off duty sick, feels rather better to day however

Lat by Obs 27.34 N
Long by Chro 146.03 W

Thursday Oct 5th

Strong breezes from
E.S.E heading to the Southward, at 5 P.M the wind
hauled to the S.S.E. with squalls of rain, tacked to
the Eastward, it is somewhat remarkable that the wind
has been blowing constantly from N. East to S. East
ever since we left the Sandwich Islands, and no
appearance of a change to the Westward

Lat by Obs 26 54 W. N
Long by Chro 145 30 W

Friday Oct 6th

Wind from S.E and a fine breeze
heading E.N.E at work on the rigging cooper making buckets
Mr Norton on duty once more tacked to the South
Saw jumpers and porpoises

Lat by Obs 25.41 N
Long by dect 146 00 W

Saturday Oct 7th

Fresh breezes and squally
Weather steering S.S.E in top Gall Sails Single reefed
the Topsails Overcast Weather during the day

Lat by Obs 23.41 N
Long by Chro 145.. 40 W

Sunday Oct 8th

Strong breezes throughout the
day going S.E by E, Mr Norton resumed his duty again
he May thinks he shall Weather it now Bill Smith
off duty with a gum Boil on his foot as he says

Lat by Obs 21.34 N
Long by Chro 144.50

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Monday Oct 9th

Fresh trades throughout the day with Squalls of rain occasionally heavy crossing the running.

Lat by Obs 19.42 N
Long by Chro 143.45 W

Tuesday Oct 10th

Light breezes from East and very fine Weather heading to S.S.East employed variously

Lat by Obs 18.03 N
Long by Alt 143.30 W

Wednesday Oct 11th

Wind and Weather as usual Standing to the S.E by S under Fore Sprit fitting the Hurricane house for catching rain Water

Lat by Obs 15 40 N
Long by Chro 142.10 W

Thursday Oct 12

ente Steering S.S East Trades more Moderate under all Said Swell for South coast Weather the Watch at work Mast Boat Sails

Lat by Obs 14 20 N
Long by Alt 141.40

Friday Oct 13th

Moderate throughout the day heading S.E Set our new Blacksmith at work to day and was surprised to find him so good a Workman, it being hard times set the Cooper at Work to make a Beer keg, think of dissipating a little in that line

Lat by Obs 12 22 N
Long by Chro 140.21 W

Saturday Oct 14th

fine Breezes from E N E heading S E and E S E under all Sail employed variously Strong Westerly current the Ship has been set 60 Miles to the Westward during the twenty four hours

Lat by Obs 11.06 N
Long by Chro 140 25 W

Sunday Oct 15th

Fresh Breezes again heading S.E going along in fine Style every Sail drawing Completely. Latter part of the day Squally Wind from S.East Strong Westerly current

Lat by Obs 9.57 North
Long by Chro 140 20 W

Monday Oct 16th

Wind from E.S.East and rainy Weather heading ~~E.S.E~~ South at 12 We brought the ship to the Eastward at 4 Wd tacked back again

Lat by Obs 9.06 N
Long by Chro 138.55 W

Tuesday Oct 17th

Baffling Winds and rainy Weather working to the Southward and catching rain Water Saw Many porpoises and made a pair of drawers for myself being the first garment I ever made their like Mr Wellas Coat broad and heavy

Lat by Ant 8.20 N
Long by do 139 00 W

Wednesday Oct 18th

Rainy, Squally Weather heading to the Southward. Saw great many porpoises and Birds Latter part of the day fine Weather the Wind having veered to the S.E

Lat by Obs 7.24 S
Long by Chro 137.48 W

Thursday Oct 19th

fine Weather at work on the rigging Cooper, Carpenter and Blacksmith. aloft looking for Sperm Whales. Wind from S by E heading to the Eastward

Lat by Obs 7.21 S
Long by Chro 137 00 W

Friday Oct 20th

All these twenty four hours fresh breezes from S by East and fine Weather heading E by S. Employed Seriously Saw peice of Squid

Lat by Obs 7.09 S
Long by Chro 134.58 W

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Saturday Oct 21st

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day heading East. Employed about the Ships Rigging

Lat by Obs 5. 53 N

Long by Chro. 132.09 W

Sunday Oct 22d

Light airs from S.S East. Beautiful Weather heading to the Eastward at 7 A.M. tacked to the S.W. Saw pieces of Squid but no Whales the Lord help us.

Lat by Obs 6. 34 N

Long by Chro 131. 29 W

Monday Oct 23d

Light airs from S.S East at 12 Midnight tacked to the E.S.E. Light Broke out between decks for Old Iron

Lat by Obs 5-55 N

Long by Chro 131. 09 W

Tuesday Oct 24th

Fresh breezes from South and Southwest heading E.S.E. East Employed picking Oakum great Many Birds in sight all day and Legions of Porpoises

Lat by Obs 4.30 N

Long by Chro 12.

Wednesday Oct 25th

Fresh Winds from South heading E.S.E. East Split the flying jib at 10 P.M. the changed to the S.East tacked to the S.S.W. repairing fly jib set our new Blacksmith at work to day to make a brace for the after Davitt which rather puzzled him. Couldnt get the hang of it as the Boy said of the School House

Lat by Obs 3.14 N

Long by Chro 129.48 W

Thursday Oct 26

Fine Weather heading to the S.S.W. at Work painting boats Mr Baker runs his again to day

Lat by Obs 1.30 N

Long by Chro 1

Friday Oct 27th

Wind and Weather the same as on the Preceding day heading S by W Saw a large Breach to windward Got Lunar Obs

Lat by Obs 10 Miles S Long by Lunars 132 02 W

Do by Chro 132 00 45 W

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Saturday Oct 22nd

Fine Weather cruising for and near for the Spouters, shortened Sail at Sunset for the first time having Port at sight in Gull Cay of there the Blows was announced from the Chinese top Gallant head. Sperm Whales all hands singing and ~~bellowing~~ others beggan to bellow If one Were there, He, Surely Swear, That half the crew was Mellow Lowered the Boats and after a good hard pull came up with them, They proved to be finbacks at 8 PM Came on board and took up the boats and Made Sail to the Southward

Lat by Obs 1.17 S

Long by Chro 132.50 W

Sunday Oct 29th

Wind from SSE and very fine Weather heading S.W. Nothing in Sight not even a porpoise Got Lunar Obs by two different Sextants, The Mean of Which Gave the Longitude 134.25 West

Do by Chro 134.36 W

Lat by Obs 2.16 South

Monday Oct 30th

Wind still at SSE and uncommonly pleasant, heading S.W. by South at 10 PM the Wind changed to E.S.E. Passed Sailing Boat, Nothing in Sight all day Cheerly

Lat by Obs 3 35 S

Long by Chro 135.22 West

Tuesday Oct 31st

Charming Weather Wind from ESE Steering South Employed pumping Casks be & be Etc

Lat by Obs 5.28 S

Long by Chro 135.33 W

Tuesday ~~October~~ 1st

All these twenty four hours Moderate breeze from ESE and very fine Weather Steering South the and S.S.W. and Breaks lowered down for them Which proved to be finbacks

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Lat by Obs 7.17 S

Long by Chro 136.32 W

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Tuesday Nov the 2d

Fine and warm

the same as on the preceding day Steering S.W by S, at Sunset Shortened Sail and lay to under the topsails heading to the Southward at Midnight Made all sail to the S.W for the Marquesas Islands. Saw jumpers and porpoises

Lat by Obs 8.28 S
Long by Chr 137.38 W

Friday Nov 3d

Brisk trades Steering S.W and S.W by W at 7 P.M Shortened Sail and lay by during the night at daylight set all sail and steered S.W at 10 A.M made the Land Hoa's Island one of the Marquesas Group bearing S.W dist 45 Miles at 11 saw the Island of Dominica bearing S.S.W

Lat by Obs 9.27 S
Long by Chr 138.30

Saturday Nov 4th

Strong trades and Squally accompanied with rain at 4 P.M went on Shore at Dominica and in the course of the afternoon and following day Took on Board 9 Hogs 1000 Cocoanuts 100 Pumpkins and 20 bunches of Bananas &c &c & in Exchange for 1 keg of Powder 60 Pipes and 10 lbs of Tobacco and found the Natives very civil much more so than I anticipated

Obs to day

Sunday Nov 5th

at 2 P.M left the Island and Steered off S.W at sunset Shortened Sail and the above during the night at 5 A.M made all sail and steered to the S.W saw Blackfish and porpoises in abundance at noon Tooahooga West 15 Miles

Lat by Obs 8.58
Long by Chr 139.00

Monday Nov 6th

Principal Part
first no Natives Roacoopa and Bonnines in Sight
at 12 Meridian a boat came on Board from the Island
last mentioned Lat by Obs 9.58 S
Long by Chr 139.05 W

Tuesday Nov 7th

Trading with Natives for
Potatoes and Bannanas in the Course of the day found
30 Bbls of Sweet Potatoes and the Natives and White
Residents I found to be lying thieving set of rascals
and it seems to be their chief Study and amusement
to cheat us all they can While trading with them on Shore
at 2 P.M. left the Island and Stood to the N & W
Lat 9.56 S
Long by Chr 139.15 W

Wednesday Nov 8th

Standing to the N.W. under
all Sail Roonhooga, Roapoar and Rochevah in
Sight Employed Stowing away Potatoes at 10 A.M. hoisted
all into Green Water and remained in it all the day
to Rochevah Lat by Obs 9.51 S
Longitude 139.30 W

Thursday Nov 9th

Standing in for Rochevah
at 2 P.M. Tacked off Shore beating to the N. East during
the night Latter part calm. Roonhoga bearing East
Rochevah West Lat by Obs 9.02 South
Long by Chr 139.33 W

Friday Nov 10th

Calm until 9 P.M. then
took a breeze from the Eastward and Stood to the
Northward at 9 A.M. saw Roberts Islands bearing
W by N. the Watch Employed painting the Iron work
about the Ship Lat by Obs 8.10 S
Long by Chron 139.

Saturday Nov 11th

Light airs from the East
heading N.W. Rochevah, Roonhoga and Roberts Islands
in Sight at 6 P.M. Shortened Sail and lay by for the
night in the Morning Stood in for Roberts Island
74 Lat by Obs 7.55 S
Long by Ch 140.38 W

Sunday Nov 12th

Fine weather with two Boats on Roberts Island, in a small bay on the E side, and in the course of the afternoon got off two boat loads of wood, the surf running high and wood scarce good water may obtained here close to the beach provided you have a hose to land it out through the surf, the saw three Hogs in the Valley immediately above the harbour and Cocoanut trees on the Mountains at 6 P.M. went on Board, beating during the night to the weather the Land at Nion Island bore N.N.E. Nich by Estimation 19 Miles

Lat by Obs 7.41 S
Long by Ch 140.13 W

Monday Nov 13th

Fine weather heading E.N.E. East at 12 Midnight tacked to the N.W.N. Latter part strong breezes Employed variously

Lat by Obs 7.20 S
Long by Chr 138.48 W

Tuesday Nov 14th

Fresh breezes throughout the day heading N.N.W. broke out for water and filled them again with Salt to keep them from rotting no appearance of Whales, no doubting, not even a porpoise, Ch. Obs

Lat By Obs 5.23 S
Long by Chr 140 33 W

Wednesday Nov 15th

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day heading N.N.W. nothing in sight all day the Old Sow brought forth Eleven Pigs. that being the most important item in the days Work

Lat by Obs 3.42 S
Long By Chr 140.50 W

Thursday Nov 16th

Fresh breezes and pleasant Weather steering to the North and East dull time no Whales nor no appearance of any

Lat by Obs 2.13 S Longitude 140.3

Friday Nov 17th

Fresh breezes and fine
heading S.E.E Blacksmith busy at his trade, the
Cooper Made an instrument to Day Called an oil
theif to take out the oil out of Cask When Stowed in the
Hold or rather When filled to full he has no to tie
it up but stays it Work admirably saw fin backs
and porpoises Lat by Obs 2, 13 South
Long by Chro 139, 22 W

Saturday Nov 18th

More Moderate heading
to the North Employed setting up and Turning in
rigging Mr Poston got So Mad to day, that he would
not Eat; a fat foolish Man, as all Seem call him
Lat by Obs 4 Miles North
Long by Chro 139 17 W

Sunday Oct 19th

Light breezes at S.S.E turned
to the South at Sunset Shortened sail and lie by for
the night at daylight kept her off S.W by West saw great
many porpoises Lat by Obs 10 Miles South
Long by Chro 140. 02 W

Monday Nov 20th

Strong breezes from E.N.E
Steering S.W by West at 4 P.M raised Shoal of Whales
four points off the Weather bow, Six Miles off hoved
the Boats and chased them until Sunset then came
on board, Shortened Sail and Stood to North at
4 P.M tacked to the Southward at 8 A.M Saw Breaches
ahead and made Sail for them Lat by Obs 41 Miles S
Longitude 139 20 W

Tuesday Nov 21st

Fresh breezes and fine
Weather at 1 P.M raised Sperm Whales at 2 lowered
the Boats at 5 we took a Shoal Whale to the Ship
and cut him in Latter part of the day Employed
boiling Lat by Obs 44 Miles South
Long by Chro 140. 11 W

Wednesday Nov 22d Weather the same as on
the preceding day finished boiling in all 13 Bbls
Sperm Blackfish and Porpoises
Lat by Obs 41 Miles South
Long by Chro 139. 51 W

Tuesday Nov 23d

Standing to the South sentin fly fitting down Carpenter Employed fitting davitts for Starboard Row Boat Lat by Obs 35 Miles S Long by Chro 139, 46 W

Friday Nov 24th

Fresh Gales from East at 1 P M raised breaches to leward which Proved to be Sperm Whales did not see them Spout until run over them with the Ship at 5 P M raised More Whales lowered the Boats but took two to the Ship

Saturday Nov 25th

Strong Breezes at Daylight hove Ship and cut in the two Whales and made Sail to the Southward two hands off Duty.

Lat by Obs 37 Miles S
Long by Chro 139, 46 W

Sunday Nov 26

Strong breezes beating to the Eastward finished Sorting in all 25 Bbls clean up decks and set the Mainsail Lat by Obs 15 miles S
Long by Ch 139. 15 W

Monday Nov 27th

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day, all hands variously Employed

Lat by Obs 40 Miles S
Long by Chn 139 16 W

Tuesday Nov 28th

Fine Weather cunning for and steer for the Spouters finished the Bow Boat davitts and put them over the side after a two weeks job

Lat by Obs 17 Miles South
Long by Chn 1

Wednesday Nov 29th

Wind and Weather the same as on the Preceding day Employed fitting Stern Row Boat

Lat by Obs 2 Miles S
Longitude 138. 39 W

Tuesday Nov 30th

Weather more Moderate all hands Employed about the rigging Saw Black fish and porpoises Lat by Obs 35 Miles S Long by Chro 139. 39 W

Friday Dec 1st

Fine Weather Standing to the North, fitting up a new Starboard boat Saw Blackfish Lat by Obs 47 Miles North

Saturday Dec 2d

Beautifull Weather Standing S.S.E Nothing in sight all day got the Starboard new boat ready for Whaling Lat 57 Miles South Long by Chro 139. 50 W

Sunday Dec 3d

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day Nothing to do but Eat Drink and be Merry, for tommorrow we may get a Whale the Lord Send Lat by Obs 37 Miles South Long by Chro 139. 04 West

Monday Dec 4th

Fresh breezes and pleasant Weather cruising North and South for Whales but see nothing not even a porpoise crew Employed, doing Nothing Lat by Obs 29 Miles South Long by Chro 139. 20 West

Tuesday Dec 5th

Strong breezes all day Steering South at Sunset Shortened Sail as usual Employed repairing Sails Lat by Obs 3.21 South Long by Chro 139. 25 West

Wednesday Dec 6th

Strong breezes throughout the day Steering South at 9 A.M raised Whales towards noon took one Shoal Whale to the Ship Lat by Obs 6.00 South Long by Chro 139. 21 W

Thursday Dec 7th

Strong breezes and cloudy Weather cut in the Whale at 4 P.M raised and lowered for more Whales and were Missed by Benjamin Smith at Sunset came on Board at daylight commenced boiling Lat by Obs 6.17 S Long by Chro 139. 36 West

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Friday Dec 9th

Strong breezes throughout the day at 10 PM finished boiling in all 23 Bbls Making now on Board 110 Bbls. Cleared up decks and set the Mainsail Lat by Obs 6.55 South

Long by Chr 139.49 W

Saturday Dec 10th

Weather more Moderate heading South Shortened as usual Sail. about the same time saw Roberts Islands one of the Washington Group lie by for the Night at daylight kept off for the Island got a raft of Casks ready for Water Lat by Obs 7.49 South

Long by Chr 140.26 W

Sunday Dec 11th

At 1 PM sent in three boats with a raft of Cask for water and in the course of the afternoon filled 4 casks, very soon after the Boats landed 5 of the crew left the Boat without Liberty viz Henry Young, George Buckman James Hall, James Matthews Peter Hannigan waited until Sunset for them and then came on board at 7 P M Went on Shore fill the remainder of casks at 12 Meridian got the raft off to the Ship While on Shore heard some of the above named Gentlemen ~~Hide~~ Holler out twice but saw no one Lat by Obs 7.55.

Long by 140.26

Find the Old chro- 8 Miles to the East. Island 140.34

Monday Dec 18th

Hoisted in our Water Made Sail and Stood to the North Employed Stowing away water in Fore Hold Coopers Employed repairing casks Lat by Obs 6.15 South

Long by Chr 140.20 West

Tuesday Dec 12th

Strong breezes all day heading to the North crew at work about the rigging Coopers Employed repairing Water casks

Lat by Obs 4.23 S

Long by Chr 140.55

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Wednesday Dec 13th

Wind the same as on the preceding day heading to the North at 5 PM Shortened Sail at 6 AM high Repairing again Spanker Spanker and close Mizen Lat by Obs 2.36 South

Long by Chron 140 56 W

Thursday Dec 14th

Strong Trades heading to the North repairing Sails, Porpoising in Sight all day

Lat by Obs 55 Miles South

Long by Chr 141.03 West

Friday Dec 15th

Wind and Weather as usual Heading to the N.E East. at 5 AM tacked to the South Employed Repairing Fore Topsail

Lat by Obs 16 Miles S

Long by Chr 141.20 West

Saturday Dec 16th

Fresh breezes throughout the day Setting up rigging Latter part Steering W.S.W West

Lat by Obs 5 Miles S

Long by Chr 142.51 W

Sunday Dec 17th

All these twenty four hours fresh breezes from East Steering West and W.S.West Porpoising in Sight of the Whale since all day Wind S

Lat by Obs 17 Miles S

Long by Chron 144.32 West

Monday Dec 18th

Wind and Weather continue the same Steering to the Westward the Whole day Employed Setting up rigging Lat by Obs 36 Miles S

Long by Chr 146 30 W

Tuesday Dec 19th

Fine Weather throughout the day Steering W by N, at Work about the rigging

Lat by Obs 31 Miles S

Long by Chr 149.45 W

Wednesday Dec 20th

Beautiful Weather Steering West Employed Coopering Oil for Stowing below

Lat by Obs 36 Miles S

Long by Chron 151 40 W

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Thursday Dec 21st
Fine Weather Working to the Westward Stowed down our Sperm Oil &c M 62 Bbls Making now on Board 140 Bbls saw Breaches
Lat by Obs 1.07 S
Long by Chr 152.40 W

Friday Dec 22d
Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day Steering S.West broke out for Beef & Pork Started a cask of each, been quite unwell to day with a pain in my left side
Lat by Obs 1.15 South
Long by Chr 154.11 W

Saturday Dec 23rd
Cloudy Smoky Weather Steering S.W employed Variously
Lat by Obs 2.50 S
Long by Chr 154.24 W

Sunday Dec 24th
Light breezes from the N.N.East Steering South at Sunset Shortened Sail at 12 Midnight the Wind Changed to the S.West with rain, Gradually heading to the South until noon
Lat by Obs 3.28 S
Long by Chr 154.28 W

Monday Dec 25th
Light breezes from South Steering same S.S.W Saw Killers Cooper Employed repairing casks
Lat by Obs 3.38 S
Long by Chr 155.00 W

Tuesday Dec 26
Winds from South Steering S.W by South at 4 PM Spoke Ship Tam of London Capt Green 42 Months out 1400 Bbls Sperm Oil heard from the N.West fleet. had done very well the only harm I wish them is, that We had done the same
Lat by Obs
Long by Chr

Wednesday Dec 27th
Fine Weather at 1.30 PM Made Malden Island bearing E by S at 10 AM went on Shore and travelled round the remarkable Island ~~Hist~~ Wm

Dec 28th Continued

At 2 P.M returned to the Boat and took dinner along with Capt Green on the Beach and afterwards went out on a fishing Excursion and in the course of the afternoon procured 50. or 60. very large Cod some of which weighed 20 lbs at Sunset went on Board and took tea with Green.

Lat by Obs 3.59 South
Long by Chr 154.40 W

Differing 20 Miles East of the Station as lain down in Arrowsmith Charts. So by New Chr 26 Miles East of...

Thursday Dec 28th

Light breezes from the West Steering S.E with heavy rain at 12 Midnight altered the Course East at daylight fine weather set all Sail Bark Ranger in Company

Lat by Obs 4.14 S
Long by Chr 154.20 W

Friday Dec 29th

Fine weather throughout the day the Miner having hauled to the Eastward at 8 & M tacked to the North Employed variously

Lat by Obs 3.58 South
Long by Chr 154.21 West

Saturday Dec 30th

Wind the same as on the preceding day Steering W.N.W caught a fine lot of Albacore had them cooked and found them delicious eating

Lat by Obs 3.13 South
Long by Chr 154 56 W

Sunday Dec 31st

Beautiful Weather Steering W.N.W stowing in light all day of the Whale Species

Lat by Obs 2.20 South
Long by Chro 156.26 W

Monday Jan 1st 1844

Strong breeze from E.N.E at 12 Midnight tacked to the S East broke out for water Cooper Employed setting up Shooks. Lat by Obs 2.06
Long by Chro Long 156,25

Tuesday Jan 2d

Strong breeze throughout the day heading S.E Employed 2 parties casks.

1843 [illegible] Ship [illegible] Homeward

Wednesday Jan 3d

Strong breezes and fine
Weather heading to the South at 6 AM raised
Whales at 10 A.M took a 30 Bbl Whale to the
Ship and cut him in Lat by Obs 2.50 S
Long by Chr 156 30

Thursday Jan 4th

Fine Weather
throughout the day Employed Boiling
at 2 P.M finished in 30 Bbls Making now
on Board 150 Bbls Lat by Obs 2.09 S
Long by Chr 156 40 W

Friday Jan 5th

Strong breezes a p
6 PM raised Whales at Sunset lowered
the Boats at 7 P.M took 30 Bbl Whale to
the Ship at daylight hooked on & cut him in
Lat by Obs 1.47 S
Long by Chr 157 05 W

Saturday Jan 6th

Fresh breezes Employed
Boiling at 7 A.M raised Whales at 12 Meridian
took a Shoal Whale to the Ship
Lat by Obs 1.43 S
Long by Chr 157.33 W

Sunday Jan 7th

Fine Weather cut
in the Whale at Sunset saw More Whales ahead
at 7 A.M lowered the Boats for Whales at 10 took a Shoal
Whale to the Ship and cut it in Lat by Obs 1.07 S
Long 158.00 W

Monday Jan 8th

Raised More Whales
Struck three and Lowell one at 5 PM took him along
Side and cut him in at 8 commenced Boiling at
12 tacked to the North Lat by Obs 158 20
Long by Chr 57 Miles S

Tuesday Jan 9th

Still Boiling at 3 PM
tacked to the Southward at 2 A.M finished Boiling
in all 50 bbls cleaned up Decks and Mulle
Tail Lat by Obs 2.07 S
Long by Chr 158.14 W

Wednesday Jan 10th

Strong breezes and squally heading to S.E Employed filling the boats once getting ready for more Whales Coopering Oil for Stowing below

Lat by Obs 2.53 S

Long by Chr 158.18 W

Thursday Jan 11th

Strong breezes and fair Weather heading S.E. at 2 P.M. raised Whales at 3 P.M. lowered the Boats at 5 took 2 Sperm Whales to the Ship and shortened Sail at daylight Moor Ship and cut the Whales and Made Sail to the Southward

Lat by Obs 3.20 S

Long by Chr 158.22 W

Friday Jan 12th

Fresh breezes from East throughout the day at 3 P.M. Tacked to the S.E. at 5 the saw finbacks at 8 o'clk finished boiling in all 45 Bbls Making now on Board 300 Bbls of Sperm oil Latter part of the day Cooper Employed trimming oil for Stowing

Lat by Obs 2.07 S

Long by Chr 158.00 W

Saturday Jan 13th

Fine Weather Standing to the South getting ready for Stowing Oil below decks at daylight this out and Stowed down 115 Bbls and 33 Breakers

Lat by Obs 2.30 South

Long by Chro 157.44 W

Sunday Jan 14th

Moderate breezes and fine Weather at 4 P.M. finished Stowing down Oil in all 30 Bbls Making now on Board 285 Bbls also Stowed 13 Breakers

Lat by Obs 2.50 S

Long by Chr 157.28 W

Monday Jan 15th

Beautiful Weather heading to the Eastward, saw finbacks and porpoise repaired Starboard boat Cooper Employed repairing Cask John Hawley off duty sick Peter Cadd resumed his duty this day

Lat by Obs 3.18 South

Long by Chr 157.22 West

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Tuesday Jan 15th

[illegible] Boat

regarding to the ship's men employed repairing Hope boat Broke out for Water Supplied the crew with Clothing Broke out for Hooks or Hoops

Lat by Obs 2.22 South
Long by Chn 157.36 W

Wednesday Jan 17th

Strong breezes from Eastward Pleasant Weather Standing to the South Employed Variously took in the Starboard bow boat Saw a Bark Ship to Windward heading to the Southward exchanged Colours with him

Lat by Obs 40 Miles S
Long by Chn 158 00 W

Thursday Jan 18th

Strong breezes standing to the S.S.E employed variously, the Cooper undertook to mend a boat to day and a Horrid piece of work he made of it; the joints look as though the Rats made them

Lat by Obs 2 22 S
Long by Chn 157.55 W

Friday Jan 19th

Weather getting more moderate standing to the South Cooper at work Making breakers Blacksmith at his trade

Lat by Obs 3.35 South
Long by Chn 158.00 W

Saturday Jan 20th

Moderate breezes from Eastward Beautifull Weather standing to S.S.E at 4 P.M tacked to the N.N.E at 6 P.M raised Whales it being for late did not lower the boats at 12 Midnight tacked to the S.S.East at 7 A.M tacked back again. Strong Westerly Current

Lat by Obs 3.22 South
Long by Chn 158.11 West

Sunday Jan 21st

Fresh breezes and fine Weather beating Hard to get to the Eastward saw great deal of Squid the Ground looks well for Sperm Whales

Lat by Obs 3.33 S
Long by Chn 157.52 W

Monday Jan 22d

Strong breezes from E.N.E at 6 P.M. tacked to the E.S.E at 5 AM. raised Whales put off the boats at 11 took a 40 bbl Whale to the Ship

Lat by Ast 3.40 S

Long by Ast 157.32 W

Tuesday Jan 23d

Hooked on and cut in the Whale at 5 P.M commenced boiling keeping up fires & at 12 Midnight got the Blubber all in the pots

Lat by Obs 2.43 S

Long by Chr 157.26 W

Wednesday Jan 24th

Clear Weather Strong breezes and at 2 P.M finished boiling in all 42 bbls at 5 P.M tacked to the S.E. Latter part squally

Lat by Obs 3.50 S

Long by Chro 157 35 W

Thursday Jan 25th

Strong breezes from E.N.E at 2 P.M tacked to the North, Employed repairing the Boats and making breakers Sent down the Royal yards fore and aft saw many pieces of Squid Lat by Obs 2.22 South

Long by Chr. 157.36 W

Friday Jan 26th

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day heading to the S.E by South at 6 AM tacked to the North Employed variously

Lat by Obs 2.02 S

Long by Chr 157.52 W

Saturday Jan 27th

All these twenty four hours Strong breezes from East beating were all said to get to the Eastward for but to day we find Ourselves by Chronometer 15 Miles to the Westward bent New foresail, Mainsail, Jibs and Main Top Gallant Sail for I think it impossible to Hold on without them Caught two Barels of fish in the course of the day and latter them down ready for the first Market Victor Paul Hove out again with the Rheumatism &c &c

Lat by Obs 2.42 S

Long by Chr 158.05 W

[illegible] Strong breezes from
East throughout the day beating hard to get to the
Eastward instead of which we have gone 18 Miles to
the Westward. Great Many Birds around the Ship
Lat by Obs 2.43 S
Long by Chr 158.24
Monday Jan 29th
Squally Weather heading
S. East and S.E by E Employed variously
Lat by Obs 4.27 S
Long by Chr 157 46 W
Tuesday Jan 30th
Strong breezes from
S. East with squalls of rain Occasionally
heading E.S.E all hands Employed as usual
Lat by Obs 4.23 S
Long by Chr 157.35 W
Wednesday Jan 31st
Weather getting more
Moderate at 2 P.M. raised Whales 3 lowered
away & 25 Bbl Whale to the Ship at Sunset
hooked on and cut him in and Made Sail
at 11 A.M raised Whales put off at 3 P.M. took two 40
Bbls Whales to the Ship Lat by Obs 4 28 S
Long by Chr 157 38 W
Thursday February 1st
Cut in one of the Whales
and lie by with the Other until Morning and
then cut him in and Made all sail saw
finbacks. Six hands off duty Lat by Obs 4.12 S
Long by Chr 158.21 W
Friday Feb 2d
Beautiful Weather
heading S.E boiling the Whales at 6 P.M
finished so the last 12 barrels back again
Lat by Obs 4.42 S
Long by Chr 157 00 W
Saturday Feb 3d
Fine Weather throughout
the day Employed putting the boats and cooking
oil Lat by Obs 4.44 S Long 157 15 W

Sunday Feb 4th

Wind and weather the same as on the preceding day Cutting up the blubber of the day Saw breakers

Lat by Obs 3.22 S

Long by Chr 157.51 W

Monday Feb 5th

The 1st part of the day fine weather Wind from N E Latter part strong Squalls Boiled down 88 Bbls of oil and 17 Breakers on the after Hold

Lat by Obs 3.37 S

Long by Chr 156 55 W

Tuesday Feb 6th

Strong breezes from N E by rough weather & by S finished stowing oil in all 28 Bbls Making now on board 260

Lat by Obs 4 26 S

Long by Chr 156 00 W

Wednesday Feb 7th

Squally unpleasant weather heading to the E S East at work stowing the after Hold paid bounties fifteen Dollars for raising Whales

Lat by Obs 4.55 South

Long by Chr 155.40 W

Thursday Feb 8th

Strong breezes from N E beating to the N E at 6 P M raised Whales lowered the boats but could not get up with them at 8 P M came on board

Lat by Obs 4.36 S

Long by Chr 155 38

Friday Feb 8th

Strong breezes and squally at 1 P M raised Whales at 5 P M took a 30 Bbls Whale to the Ship at 11 ah night took another at 5 AM hooked on and cut them in and Made sail under Double reefed topsails

Lat by Obs 4.48 S

Long by Chr 156 29 W

Saturday Feb 9th

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day Employed boiling raised Whales put off and took a 40 Bbls Whale to the Ship

Lat by Obs 4.51 South

Long by Chr 156.22 W

Sunday Feb 8th

Strong Trades and Squally at 5 AM hoisted on and cut in the Upper and Made all sail Sir Daniel off Mali or Eu

Lat by Obs 5.00 S

Long by Chr

Monday Feb 9th

Strong Trades and Squally Employed boiling at 10 AM finished in all 33 Bbls Cleared up Decks and Set the Main Sail

Lat by Obs 3.49 S

Long by Chr 156.58 W

Tuesday Feb 10th

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day beating to the Eastward between the Topsail reefed Close T.G Sail at 10 AM Got Lunar Obs which Made the Longitude 158.00 West Long by Chronometer 156.32 W Lat by Obs 4.14 S

Wednesday Feb the 11th

Weather Getting More Moderate Coopered the oil ready for Stowing down in the Course of the day Stowed down 75 Bbls Making now on Board 177 Bbls

Lat by Obs 4.19 S

Long by Chr 156.26 W

Thursday Feb 12th

Strong breezes and Squally Weather at 4 PM raised Whales down and Struck four and Saved 2 at 10 PM lost one from along Side at daylight each other in and Made all sail Lat by Obs 3.57

Long by Chr 157.22

Friday Feb 13th

Wind and Weather the same as the last at 3 PM saw More Whales lowered at 5 PM took a 60 Bbl Spermaceti to the Ship at 5 AM each hand in and Made all sail Lat by Obs 4.04

Long by Chr 158.10 W

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Saturday Feb 17th

Strong breezes and squally Still boiling at 10 A M sent Whales to Windward 5 Miles off and not lower the Boats beating Hard to get to the Eastward

Lat by Obs 3.17 S
Long by Chr 158.23 W

Sunday Feb 18th

Fresh and Weather as usual bearing hard to the Eastward at 6 P M finished boiling in all 40 Bbls Clarell upward and set the Mainsail

Lat by Obs 4.05 S
Long by Chr 158,00

Monday Feb 19th

Strong breezes and squally Employed setting up rigging Cooper taken sick fitted new pair of Mainstay Guys

Lat by Obs 4.53 S
Long by Chr 157.42 W

Tuesday Feb 20th

Wind the same Tacked to the North have gone twenty four Miles to the Northward heading N N E during the twenty four hours

Lat by Obs 3.29 S
Long by Chr 158.04 W

Wednesday Feb 21st

Strong breezes and pleasant Weather standing N by W and have made 19 Miles to the Westward during the twenty four hours

Lat by Obs 1.24 South
Long by Chr 158,13 W

Thursday Feb 22d

Fresh breezes from East and pleasant Weather Stowed down one oil 46 Bbls making there on Board 522 Bbls Latter part of the day Moderate Strong Westerly current the Ship has been in 24 Miles to the Westward 100 per cent Allow for Lunar Obs - Which makes the Long 159.00 W

Lat by Obs 49 Miles South
Long by Chr 158.23 West

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Starting to the N Eastward Bound into port in Good Earnest

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Friday Feb 23d
Fine Moderate
breezes from E & E Manging to the S & E
Latter part Calm Lat by Obs 34 Miles N
Long by Obs 158 34 W
Saturday 24th
Moderate and rain
Wind from East heading N & E Employed
variously Saw Many Birds Lat by Obs 1.49 S
Long by Obs 158 59
Sunday 25th
Moderate and rainy
Weather at 2 P.M. the Weather Cleared up just
long Enough to get Lunar Obs by two different
Servants the Mean of which gave the Longitude
159.21 W Long by Obs 159 59.30 Long by
Chro Obs 159 42.30 at 4 P.M. Fannings Island
bore North distant 100 Miles think we can run
with safety all night. hope so at any rate
at 10 A.M. Raised Sperm Whales lowered at
12 Meridian took 2 Shoal Whales to the Ship
Lat by Obs 3.04 N
Long by Obs 158.00 W
Monday 26th
Fine Weather at 3 P.M.
finished cutting the Whales and Cleared
away the Heads & made Sail Ends the
pipe all hands Employed boiling Lat by Obs 3.29
Long by Obs 158 38
Tuesday 27th
Calm. Still boiling the
Whales at 2 P.M. took a breeze from ENE &
about the same time Saw, or thought we Saw, Land
bearing North (Fannings Island) it being
thick Weather Saw Nothing More of it, at
daylight Saw it in Good Earnest about 10 A.M.
Off Went in 2 Boats in Search of the Harbour
at 12 Meridian they returned, Well
Satisfied there was no Harbour on the
East side of the Island
Lat by Obs 3.43 N
Chro Obs 159.22 Long by Chro Obs 158.40

Pilot Journal of Thos Jm Thompson

Wednesday Jan 28th

Hard Squalls from
S E at 8 P M run down on the West Side
of the Island and found the Harbour at
3 P M on Shore, Found one American and
23 Sandwich Men and Women here and all in the
Course of the afternoon dug two Wells for
fresh water, and took on Board 200 Cocoa
Nutts Sail and Stood out Clear of the Island
at 1 A M tacked back again at 8 A M on
Shore and got off in the Course of the day
700 Cocoanuts 2 Boats Loads of Wood and
50 Bbls of Water. Stowed all below and Cleared
up decks

Lat by Obs 3.45 N
Long by New Chr. 159.23 W
Do by Old 158.40 W

Thursday 29th

Strong Breezes with heavy
Squalls at night we set the Top Sails beating
Down to Weather Tannys Island which at day
light in the Morning was 10 Miles to leeward of
the Latter Part using By a Glimpse of the Sun
Lat by Obs Was 3.38 North

Long by Chr. 159.16

Friday March 1st

Fine Weather throughout the day heading North Now Double
for Sandwich Islands in Good Manner Employed
Coopering

Lat by Obs 4.53 N
Long by Chr 159.13 W

Saturday 2d

Wind and Weather the
same as on the Preceding day Heading
the North, Running Sails, Lat 5.01 N
Long by Ch 159 W

Sunday 3d

This day took the N E Tra
de Wind Strong Meeting N N W Wind
Experience Fore Top Sail Lower Main
Top Gallant Sail Lat by Obs 8 02 N
Long by Ch 159 56

1844 Journal of Ship Sarah Thompson

Thomas Chadwick Master

Strong breezes from N. East throughout the day employed clearing up all hands at work repairing sails

Lat by Obs 10.02 N
Long by Chr 160.48

Tuesday 5th

Wind and Weather the same as on the Preceding day proceeding on by Port Jackson remaining said

Lat by Obs 12.22 S
Long by Chr 161.05 W

Wednesday 6th

Strong trades throughout the day heading south in Company variously Saw Man of War Hawks, and Boobies

Lat by Obs 14.45 S
Long by Chr 161.15 W

Thursday 7th

Weather, little More Moderate set the Fly Jibs after having got an auxiliary fitted Coopered our oil ready for Stowing &c &c

Lat by Obs 17.06 S
Long by Chr 161.07 W

Friday 8th

Moderate breezes from E. East steering S. S. W. Stowed down our oil in all 42 Bbls making down on Board 564 B. Sperm Cleaned up Decks and Washed off

Lat by Obs 18.54 S
Long by Chr 161.40 W

Saturday 9th

Beautiful Weather but rather a bad Wind the Ship heading off S. by W. bad course for the Sandwich Islands Part Calm Cleaned the Iron Work outside

Lat by Obs 20.19 S
Long by Chr 162.05 W

Sunday 10th

Calm until 5 P.M. then took a light breeze from East at 9 P.M. the Wind changed to E.S.E. with heavy rain. Sun Obscured

Lat by Alt 21.16 S Long by Alt 161.09 W

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Monday March 11th

Moderate breeze with over cast weather heading E East at 2 Pm saw Sahona one of the midpoints Ills bearing E. East magl compass E.S.E by estimation 40 Miles at 5 PM shortened Sail at 7 tacked to the South at 11 back again at 12 Meridian Onekeoo Cove E by S dist 20 Miles

Lat by Obs 21.47 N
Long by Chr 160.38 W

Tuesday 12th

Fine Weather through the twenty four hours with the Exception of a few light rain squalls during the night all hands at Work washing the Ship inside and out low and aloft; at 8 PM Spoke Ship Pool of London 2 Months out without even a Newspaper on board & was filled on Board. about the same time Spoke Ship Daniel Webster in the same Condition both bound for N West Coast at 6 PM shortened Sail and lay by Waiting the night at daylight saw them Whales close in which Onekeoo lowered the boats at 12 took two 30 Bbl Whales to the Ship

Latitude 21 55 N
Long by Chr 160.24 W

Wednesday 13th

Begins Light airs from South at 2 PM commenced cutting at 5 finished and made Sail and Steered N.E by N at began boiling Latter variable Winds with heavy rain the same very near setting the Ship up fine when boiling the head, at Noon had a heavy Squall from W.N.W after which the Weather cleared up. Maui in Sight E by S 20 Miles No Obs.

Thursday 14th

Still boiling at 3 PM took leave from it by Work at 5 Dg Cooled down the Works and made Sail to the Eastward at day light commenced boiling again saw the Island of Morokoo bearing Speedy South 5 Ce

Lat by Obs 22 20 N
Long by Chr 157.35 W

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Friday March 15th

Fresh breezes and squally
bearing to the Eastward at 10 PM finished
boiling in all 00 Bbls at 8 still praise
those Whales and lowered for them at 12
boats still in chase of the Whales

Lat by Obs 21.48 N
Long Obs 157.02

Saturday 16th

Fine Weather with
heavy sea on at 3 PM took a 20 Bbls Whale
to the Ship at 6 finished cutting and Made
sail at Daylight commenced boiling at
noon Earth Point of Maui South
40 Miles

Lat by Obs 21.52 N
Long by Obs 156 42 W

Sunday 17th

Moderate breezes throu
ghout the day heading to the E.S.E finished
boiling in all 2 bbls Saw two Ships steering West
Great Swell from the West Lat by Obs 21.51 N
Long by Obs 156.02 W

Monday 18th

Fine Weather throug
out the day, stowed down our oil in all 70 bbls
making show on Board 634 bbls Cleared up decks

Lat by Obs 21.47 N
Long by Obs 156 23 West

Tuesday 19th

So Day Lanced down
the South side of Maui at 4 PM came
to anchor in Lahaina Roads in 17 fathom
of Water at 5 PM sent on shore found
35 Ships lying here all Whalers Bound
for the Arctic Ocean. Reinnesdle and
Thursday all hands Employed cutting up
casks for Water pumping Ship &c and
in the Course of the Week got off a pump
of the Water, fitted the Bowsprit &c
Monday 25 got off our Water and stowed
it Tuesday got off some Potatoes pumped
the Ship and on Saturday following got
nearly ready for Sea Dismantled the Mast

Extr Journal of Ship Mr. Thompson

Monday April 1st

Getting ready for Sea got off 40 Bbls of Irish Potatoes, sent to Oahu the top Gallant Yards Tuesday until Thursday were employed as on the preceeding day. Mariners Joseph Parke, James Bolleder under Water Pilot and Shipped Charles White, Sam Palmer, Isaac George, Marcus Farrington Elihu Worker. and two Natives from Shore

Thursday April 4th

At daylight got under weigh with a light land breze in company with Ship Pulaski from New London at 10 A M took the trades at 12 Middle part of Moroto north 10 Miles

No Obs

Friday April 5

At 3 P M Made Oahu bearing West by North at 12 Midnight hove to and lay until daylight at 8 A M Went on Shore Shipped two Natives afternoon returned to the Ship

Saturday April 6th

At 6 P M kept off W.S.W to clear Barber Point. Now Bound to the N. West Coast in good Earnest at 12 hauled up W.S.W At daylight N.W at 10 A M Made Atooi right ahead

Lat by Obs 21.55 N

Long by Obs 159 00 W

Sunday 7th

Beautiful Weather Went on Shore at Atooi in a fine Bay on the North Side of the Island and in the course of the day procured 12 Hogs &c. at. Called on Capt Barnard who by the by is Engaged here planting Coffee &c He tells me that he thinks in five years to Export 150 tons. all I can say is God help him

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[illegible] and Steered [illegible] all hands
Employed fitting the Boats and repairing
Sails

Lat by Obs 24. 26 N
Long by Obs 160. 10 W

Tuesday April 9

Winds and Weather
the same as on the preceding day steering
S.S.W by S repairing Sails and fitting the
Boats

Lat by Obs 27. 10
Long by Obs 161. 44

Wednesday April 10th

Weather more Moderate the Wind Veering gradually to the
Southward opened Main Hatches and
Dry works and a thousand other small goods

Lat by Obs 27. 10 N
163.

Thursday April 11th

Fresh breezes from
S.S.West steering E by S Pull Black clouds
rising to the Southward accompanied with
thunder and lightning Cooper repaid the
Topsails Latter Fresh Gales and squally thin
from North

Lat by Obs 29. 36 N
Long by Chr 162. 15 W

Friday April 12th

Fresh Gales and Squ
ally E by S Pull More to the W.S.W. Wind took
the Boats upon the High Cranes Employed
Variously at Noon More Moderate

Lat by Obs 29. 35 N
Long do. do. 163. 00

Saturday April 13th

Fresh breezes from
North Increasing W.S.W with overcast weather
Employed variously

By a Mean of the Sun our Latitude
By Obs Mas 30. 00 N
Longitude 163 40 W

[illegible]
Fine Pleasant Weather
the Ice receeding to the N.W. Wind so fine bright
and pleasant Lat by Obs 38.[illegible]
Long by Chr 165.
Monday April 15th
Beautiful weather
spreading the Sail in light Winds on Old
Sails & Sails and repairing others at 2 P.M.
Tacked to the N.East Latter part of the day
Calm Lat by Obs 38.25 N
Long by Chr 167.20 W
Tuesday April 16th
Light breezes and
foggy Weather receiving Sta Es barometer
from Royell at Noon Obs Lat 38.42 N
Long by Mer 166.50
Wednesday April 17th
Fresh breezes some
Hail Mist and foggy Weather steering N by W
could two hand under fly jib set Dip Mizen ri-
ging knocked down the Sail room and put
the Sails into the Cabin Lat by Obs 38.50 N
Long by Mer 165.40 W
Thursday April 18th
Strong breezes from
West, Stowing North repairing Jibs Saw large
quantity of Right Whale food on the surface
of the Water, all hands Employed variously
Lat by Obs 36.19 N
Long by Chron 165.25 West
Friday Thursday April 19th
Strong breezes from S.W. North
a high cross sea, Stowing North repairing
Mizen top Gallant Sail Cooper employed Mak-
ing Breakers Latter part Rainy repairing Main
top Gallant Sail By a Glimpse of the Sun
our Lat by Obs was 38.55 North
Long by Chr 165.00 W
Saturday April 20th
Moderate from
S.W. and rainy Stowing N by W. at all hands
busy getting ready for shore Observ Wind

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[illegible] continued Strong Gales from S.East and rainy Weather steering N. by W. [illegible] Steering N. by W. Saw [illegible] Lat by Obs [illegible]
Long 163.55

Sunday April 21st
Light breezes from the with a high Sea at 6 A.M the Wind hauled to the S.East Latter part fresh Gales and rainy Steering North
Lat by Obs 42.57 North
Long by Chro 163.05 West

Monday April 22d
Continues fresh Gales from S.East and rainy Weather at 10 P.M the Wind Shanged to the S.West and cleared up a little Latter part More moderate. Set the topsails Doubled reefed at 11 A.M missed a Sperm Whale and Doubled for them Lat by Obs 43.51 N
Long by Chro 162.56 W

Tuesday April 23d
At 1 P.M Struck the Whales. Stove the Boat boat at 4 P.M killed one and Sank him at 5 killed up the Other at Sunset Whale 4 Miles to Windward of Ship, towing him by the Flukes

Wednesday April 24th
Fresh breezes from S.West with a heavy Sea on two boats of Ship by the Whale Seating hard to Windward With the Ship and Several hail Squalls during the night at 6 A.M took the Whale to the Ship all hands Completely Worn out at 8 A.M Moor Ship and commenced cutting at Noon got one Side on Throat in
No Observation

Thursday April 25
Strong Gales from S.West and rainy bowling the Wheel and Setting up Shooks Moor Ship to the Southward Seven Hands off duty, an a pretty good beginning I think for a Ship off Chile
Lat by Obs 45.01 N
Long by Chro 162.35

Wm Thompson

Friday April 26th
Gales, Gales
Nothing but Gales, from South and West
Still boiling the Whales, Six Hands off duty
at the close of the day finished boiling
in all 100 Bbls Lat by Obs 45.17 S
Long by Chr 162.00 W

Saturday April 27th
Strong Gales from South
Still heading to the West. High cross Sea on
Lat by Obs 45.17 S
Long by Chr 162.51 W

Sunday April 28th
Fresh Gales from S.West
accompanied with rain & hail took in fore Sail
and he to during the night at 10 A.M. More Moderate set the fore Sail again broke out Sail
room hall a look into the lower hold to clear
found three casks of oil leaking, had by
rigged an Hose for filling casks
Lat by Obs 45.53 S
Long by Chr 163.00 W

Monday April 29th
Strong breezes from S.West
Broke out to stow down one oil from off
deck. and found the oil below in all
Nice Apple Shape some 50 or 60 casks
leakeh out some of them with not more
than a barrel in them. at sunset got
all through with the main Hatchway thank
God
Lat by Obs 46.18 South
Long by Chr 162.05 W

Tuesday April 30th
Commence breaking
out fore Hold took up 14 casks coopered
of which 8 Casks of Sperm, took up 8 Casks
of Sperm oil in the main Hatch and coopered
Lat by Obs 47.13 S
Long by Chr 161.55 W

Wednesday May 1st

Extracts Journal of the Whale Ship Sea Flower

[illegible]

[illegible] fresh breezes freshening South South West with squalls like
fore holle took up 12 Casks of oil [illegible]
Stowed off a skin Lat by Obs 46.50 [illegible]
Long by Acct 162 [illegible]

Thursday May 2d

Great Swell f[illegible]
West and fine Weather, with the exception of a little fog in the Morning Empty
Stowing away Bread bedding Casks

Lat by Acct 46 11 N
Long by Chro 163. 20 W

Friday May 3d

Strong Gales from
S West and Squally Weather Heading to the
N West we the Sea Hose for the first time
at 10 AM reefed the fore Sail and set it

Lat by Obs 47. 16 North
Long by Acct 163 40 W

Saturday May 4th

More Moderate this
a heavy Sea running at daylight Made all
Sail, and steered N East Saw finbacks
we the Hose again Cooper Employed Sell
ing Shooks

Lat by Obs 48.02 North
Long by Chr 162.50 W

Sunday May 5th

Moderate North
Overcast Weather Steering N E by North
throughout the day Lat by Obs 48.19 North
Long by Chr 162. 18 W

Monday May 6th

Beautiful Weather
at 1 P.M. raised Right whales and lowered
for them Struck with two Boats and afterwards the lines parted Chased the Whale
until 4 P.M. then came on Board Cutting
in of the day fresh Gales and foggy Steering
N East Lat by Obs 49.49 N
Long by Chr 160. 11 W

Extracts Journal of Ship Wm Thompson

Tuesday May 7th

Strong breezes and thick foggy weather employed painting out Cabin Clerks and Stowing down again. No Observation

Wednesday May 8th

Foggy Weather heading to the Westward Employed variously

No Observation

Thursday May 9th

Fresh Gales from South steering to the E.S.E at 12 Midnight the wind changed to the Westward at 6 AM wore Ship Broke out the fore Peak for Shooks & Hoops and got them upon deck Lat by Obs 50.11 N

Long by Ext 158.50 W

Friday May 10th

Fresh breezes with Hail Squalls occasionally heading to the N.W.West Filled two Pipes that being the most important item in the days Work Cooper Set up 60 Bbls of Casks to day

Lat by Obs 49.57 N

Long by Ext 158 55 W

Saturday May 11th

Wind moderating Gradually at 7 PM wore Ship to the N.West at Daylight Made all Sail the Wind veering round to the South the watch Employed setting up Shooks

Lat by Obs 50.00 N

Long by Ext 159 31 W

Sunday May 12th

Fresh breezes from South steering N.West for Compass with the Hold at 4 PM hauled to Eastward and Lie by for the night at 4 PM set the fore Sail with foggy weather But Glimpses of the Sun Our Lat by Obs was 50.40 N for

Long by Ext 158.50 West

Monday May 13th

Wind from S.E foggy unpleasant weather steering to the Eastward at 4 PM wore the Ship to the S.West and furled the fore Sail and Lie by for the high

Blue owned & Whale ship off Mouth

Monday May 14th

Lying more to in a thick fog, the watch particularly employed

Lat by Obs 55 00 N

Long by Chron 157.00 W

Tuesday May 15th

Fresh Gales from S.S.West standing to the Westward under the Foresail and foresail with fine Clear Weather overhead but rather wet under foot. See more Birds than usual a Good Sign for Whales

Lat by Obs 56.26

Long by Chron 159.34 W

Wednesday May 15th

Clear Weather throughout the day. some fog towards Evening. Set all Sail and Standed North and at 6 o'clock that day Spout a Spout of any kind. Set up 4 Barrels of Lard

Lat by Obs 52 05 N

Long by Chron 160.04 West

Thursday May 16th

Strong breezes from East heading to the South. at Daylight to the South and Shorten Sail latter part foggy and very cold Employed setting up Shooks

Lat by Obs 52 30 N

Long by Chron 160.10 W

Wednesday May 17th

Strong Gales from E.S.E with thick Weather Reefing to Daylight at 6 P.M in 3 sails and Close to heading to the East at 6 A.M let fore Sail

No Observation

Long by Chron 160 00 W

Thursday May 18th

Fresh Gales from East heading to the S.S.East, Saw Gambucks Employed Variously but the Hole Bile Remmick off Rudy Kirkpatrick likewise

Lat by Obs 52 01 N

Long by Chron 160 00 W

Fresh Gales from
[illegible] steering to the South [illegible]
[illegible] the Ground
Lat by Ast 53.05 N
Long by Ast 159.40 W
Monday May 20th
Moderate breezes
from E.S.East and rainy Weather heeling ship
for W. with the shore [illegible] left to the South at Sunset
the Yards and Stevens E.N.East.
Lat by Ast 53.00 N
Long by Ast 158.32 W
Tuesday May 21st
Fresh breezes from
S.West steering E.N.East at 4 PM raised Whales
Whales lowered immediately and Chased
them until 6 PM then came on Board all
to at 4 AM raised more Whales lowered, Struck
Killed and Sunk. a Large Whale at 8 AM came
on Board. Examined the Boats and found
Seven Irons, and three Shots of Line ~~Gone~~
Missing. Rather an unfortunate piece of
Business. But never mind. Say Jeff
Faithful Whaler Cant be helped
Lat by Obs 52.42 W
Long by Chr 157.49 W
Wednesday May 22d
Fresh Gales from
S.West steering to the Westward at 4 PM
Saw a whale to leeward but did not lower for
him, Contented ourselves by looking at him
at 10 A.M Saw Ship to leeward heading to the
westward under Easy sail
Lat by Obs 53.09 N
Long by Chro 158.00 W
Thursday May 23d
Moderate breezes and
fine Weather at 6 AM raised Whales lowered but
did not get near them at 12. spoke Ship Tuscany
Hollbee 18 Months out 2000 Bbls
Lat by Obs 52.33 N Long by Chr 157.20 W

Saturday May 24th

Fine weather throughout the day steering S.E. & E under all sail saw two Ships in the course of the day sailing to Leeward Obs which made the Long Since 15°. 44. 43 W

Long by Chr 15°. 44 W
Lat by Obs 53. 13 N

Saturday May 25th

Fresh Gales throughout the day with plenty of wind. Whales in sight saw three Ships

Lat by Obs 53. 23 N
Long by Chr 15°. 50 W

Sunday May 26th

More moderate. Strained and took a cask to the Ship at 6 PM finished cutting at 11 began boiling so Ends

Lat by Obs 53. 12 N
Long by Ech 158. 00

Monday May 27th

Fine weather still boiling, struck two whales in the course of the day, and drawed from both

Lat by Obs 53. 40 N
Long by Chr 158. 22 W

Tuesday May 28th

Charming weather chasing whales all day, or waiting of them about it seems almost impossible to strike one until 7 PM when the Boats struck and afterwards the towline in the Short warp Cast off and so lost whale, after staving the Boats handsomely

Lat by Obs 53. 37
Long by Chr 158. 54

Wednesday May 29th

Fresh Gales from N E finished boiling at 10 of M course saw took a whale to the Ship

Long by Chr 159. 20 Lat by Obs 53 21 N

Thursday May 30th

Wind and weather the same as on the 29th at 8 PM finished cutting, and began boiling Ends boiling Lat 53. 30
Long by Chr 159. 43

This Journal of Mark Ryder Master London

Monday May 30

Continues fresh breezes from N East. Sails boiling at 10 AM towards Night and afterwards Stove the boat hook kill the Head of her Clean off cut the Line and came on Board and Lost that &c &c &c and So, on Lat by Obs 53 30 N
Long by Chro 159 50 W

Tuesday May 31st

Moderate breezes from N. East and foggy Latter part hen Gales and rainy Night boiling at 10 AM Commenced again Saw Bark to leward
Lat by Ast 53.20 N
Long by Ast 159.20 W

Saturday June 1st

at 10 the Gale abated, and terminated in thick fog all hands Cleaning bone and coopering oil for Stowing Lat by Ast 53 13 N
Long by Ast 159.00 W

Sunday June 2d

All these twenty four hours fine weather Stowed down 200 Barrels of oil in fore Hold Saw several Ships in the course of the day
Lat by Obs 53.16
Long by Ast 159 20 W

Monday June 3d

foggy throughout the day lying hove too saw right Whale in the Morning
Lat by Obs 53.12 N
Long by Ast 159.00

Tuesday June 4th

Beautiful weather throughout the day Spok Bark Benjamin one Whale this season at 12 Spoke Ship Hamilton Loper Master 600 Bbls Saw 5 Other Ships in the Course of the day
Lat by Obs 53.27 N
Long by Chron 158.05 West

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[illegible] June 5th

out the day heading [illegible] as [illegible] several times for Whales but could not strike - Saw Ship to the Southward.

Lat by Obs 53.26 N.
Long by [illegible]

Thursday June 6th

Foggy for the Most part of the day heading to the N.West saw 6 Right whales in the course of the day

Lat by Alt 53.29 N
Long by Alt 159 20 W.

Friday June 7th

The M.T. Hyatt Clerk and boat header Latter part Strong breeze and Clear. Hundreds of right whales at 5 A.M. Struck and afterwards cut from him remainder of the day Employed in Chasing Whales saw two Ships Lat by Obs 53.20 N.
Long by Chron 159.48

Saturday June 8th

Fine weather overhead but somewhat ragged. plenty of right whales in sight struck four in the course of the day, cut from two; Irons broke in the other, at 8 P.M. lowered one and took him to the Ship in a thick fog

Lat by Obs 53.27 N
Long by Chron 159.40

Sunday June 9th

Employed cutting at 11 A.M. finished and made sail saw two Ships

Lat by Obs 53.25
Long by Chron 159.49

Monday June 10th

Calm for the most part of the day Employed boiling pork saw California 10 months out 600 Bbls

Lat by Obs 53.2[illegible] N
Long by Chron 159.40 W

light airs from East Still boiling
last night in the course of the day, and plenty
of whales but rather unwieldy did not touch the Boats
Long by Ast 159. 40 W
Lat by Obs 53. 19 N

Wednesday June 12th
Strong breezes from
S. East implied boiling of 10 Bbls finished in all
11 Bbls Wind on Whale Rose and Stowed it below
six Hands off duty Lat by Obs 53.28 N
Long by Ast 159. 50 West

Thursday June 13th
Still blowing from S. Ea.
coopering oil for stowing down below. Stowed
down 982 Bbls making mold on Board 36 Bbls this
season. Hard Luck. the Lord help us
Lat by Obs 53. 24 N
Long by Ast 159 55 W

Friday June 14th
Continues blowing fresh
from E.S.East and foggy weather heading to the So
have been in very green water all day Mr Croton
off duty with 8 8 8 Lat by Ast 53 00 N
Long by Ast 160 00 West

Saturday June 15th
Moderate and foggy weather
Spoke Ship George of Stonington 6 whales this season
Saw Sea P many humpbacks near thick water
Lat by Obs 53. 24 N
Long by Ast 159 55 W

Sunday June 16th
Foggy nasty weather
heading to S.E. provided East Saw Ship to leeward
manouvering as if among whales, my officers think
it too negrey I think otherwise Hard times like
to drive them off after them. Think one volunteer
worth a half dozen pressed men. The Lord favor
us is the Prayer of one

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Lat by Obs 53. 15 N
Long by Ast 160. 20 W

Monday June 15th

Fresh Gales throughout the day steering to S.E. at Copper Empty on the Line of the Equator 10 Sail of Spermaceti in sight 3 of this season

Lat by Obs 52.37 N

Long by Chro 160.57 W

Tuesday June 18th

Weather more moderate at 2 PM set all Sail at 4 PM followed and struck a right whale and drew the Iron at 6 came on Board Latter part of Foggy Spoke Ship Chelsea of New London 5 Whales this season

Lat by Mer 53. 10 South

Long by Alt 161. 12 W

~~Friday~~ Wednesday June 19th

Thick fog throughout the day Employed repairing Stove boat setting up Shrouds

Lat by Obs 53 08 N

Long by Chro 161. 38 W

Thursday June 20th

Fine Weather throughout at 3 PM followed and struck two Whales the Irons broke from one and after hanging on to the other 3 hours and lancing him 6 times let him go and came on Board at Daylight Commenced Chasing again at 7 AM struck one at 12 Meridian took him along side

Lat by Mer 53.20 N

Long by Alt 160.50 W

Friday June 21st

Moderate Weather with an overcast Sky Engaged cutting the whale at 5 PM finished last 80 Bbl whale and commenced boiling Sperm Lat 53. 25 N

Long 161. 10 W.

Saturday June 22d

Foggy until 4 PM when it cleared up lowered for Whales at 8 took 2 to the ship. Latter part Fresh Gale at 8 AM Parted fluke Chain from one and afterwards lost him. Still Boiling

Lat by Obs 53. 19 N Long by Alt 162

Journal of the Ship [illegible]

Fresh Gales from E.N.E. Stiff
Boiling at 8 P.M. the last Blubber at Morning
hoisted on and commenced cutting at 8 finish
boiling
Lat by Obs 53.12 N
Long by Chr 162.05 W
Monday June 24th
Calm at 8 P.M. finished
cutting about the same time Capt. Hedges
Boatheaded from Ship Lat & Jamaica 12
Months 22 Bbls at 8 P.M. commenced boiling
Saw four Ships in the course of the day
3 of which were boiling Lat by Obs 53.25
Long by Obs 162.50
Tuesday June 25th
Calms and Light airs
throughout the day Took Ship Commodore Preble
22 Months out 1400 Bbls Whale oil, at 10 A.M.
finished boiling and commenced stowing
down oil and in the course of the day stow
down 110 Bbls Coverell for Wright & Hale
Tripe, Racell & Neser Whale well cut one
flench down out from Lat by Obs 53.00
Long by Chr 161.30
Wednesday June 26th
The first part Calm
Latter part Fresh Gales with heavy Sea. Employed
stowing oil stowed down 90 Bbls and blows
off again six Hands off duty Lat by Obs 52.50
Long by Chr 160.50 W
Thursday June 27th
Fresh Gales from S.S.W.
Trying to heading S.E. Gently about Rope of top
Sail Sheet completely up, one of the Boat
steerers Babbet to turn up the Skylight
Called him and asked Why he cut it he said
he thought there was a Man in doing it
Capt. then told Mr Baker and Mr. Tracy Keep and
third Mates not to allow any more rigging
cut by any one not even a Rope yarn without
the Capt. permission or Mr Norton or Mr Tracy
asked the Capt. Why he did not order him the
sin Mate not to allow the crew to cut rigg

June 24 Continued

The Capt endeavored to the Mate that he would not have his colors, and Officers should not serve any to him. The Mate asked the Capt when he first hoisted the Colors the time that the Mate had ordered them so many times he could hardly numerate them and he should use such language any longer. The Capt said he had been already on board the Ship. The Capt told him it was his own fault, and had told him repeatedly of it times previous. Ever since the Ship left Newburyport the Mate other Officer has never been seen in the Cabin in his place on quarter deck, and always forward of the Mainmast playing with the seamen for telling them how badly they are used by the Capt and they ought to have more wages &c. and trying to excite the crew by telling them not to come when they are called for he did not care whether they came or not. for the mean to leave the Ship as soon as she got into Portsmouth Morning he had impudence to tell all hands on the Quarter deck that they were not made slaves of the Capt asked in what manner the Mate replied that they had not so much work below as other Ships had. The Capt told him he gave the crew more wages than ever he saw given in all going to Sea. The Capt then ~~told the Capt~~ asked the crew when they had been misused no one made any reply except Mr Smith and Mr Brooks seamen who said they had no fault to find with the Capt whatever and that all the disturbance in the Ship arose from the Mate and thought they would be still better used if he were not for the Officers playing and fooling with them one moment and then threatening to have them flogged the next. Have been once and twice the Mate for a night in irons he has told so much and so often that they are completely disgusted with him

Crew on Sending the Officers on shore to the Boats with the Colors

in his boat while whaling he is of no Kind of use that
we witness from the Mental ~~Company~~ large quantity of oil
that we expect to get this cruise, since he goes in his boat
after a whale there is always something out of the way
and always has something to make a row about some
one of his boat crew one would not think there enough
in the Boatsteerer want good for nothing to call always
something wrong. He has had no less than six different
Boatsteerers that he have put into his boat. Still they
are never satisfied. The Capt asked them why that
are not satisfied they answer that the Portuguese
always playing one moment and then following
and chasing female. Swearing to that its no wonder
the crew are disgusted with him. Sometimes
he tells the crew that he wish to God that Capt Ellis never
will get another whale the coward, Damn him
let him know how cool it is to work whales &c
and hundred other vile epithets. This can be proved
by Wm J Wardley and Nathan Blanch Seamen
all this discourages the crew and of course make
every thing disagreeable on board and now
crew seem to care no more for him than they do for
the cook. ~~After all he comes~~ and whenever there
is any work I wish to have done as quick as convenient
can be done and lay to him sing on with
it as fast as possible the only answer I can get
is he doing it as fast as he can and if I want it
done any faster I may do it myself or get some
one else. My second Mate and fourth Mate
think it would benifit all concerned by taking
him off duty and putting in Elijah Crocker to have
his boat. I therefore tell the Capt him that he requires
no more of his services. ~~He gave one another that~~
~~wanted to near port~~ Unless he could endeavor
himself in a different manner from that he
had done during the voyage. The Capt then wrote
to Mr Baker to act at Mr Ellis's as 2nd Mate until
further orders from him.

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Friday June 28th
Fresh breezes
South heading to the Westward Cooper in
yard setting up Shooks and Secured bone
Lat by Obs 52.58

Saturday June 29th
Moderate and foggy
Weather Steering ch. E setting up Shooks &
Saw 3 Hogs in the course of the day Steering E.
Lat by Obs 53 12 N
Long by Chr 160 38 W

Sunday June 30th
Fresh breezes and
foggy weather heading to the S.S. West Latter
part Rainy tacked to the N East
Lat Obs 52.36 North
Long by Chr. 160 38 West

Monday July 1st
Strong breezes from
S.S East heading to the N East at 9 Well Spoke
Ship Ann Mary Order of Sagharbour 5 Whales in
Season the whole Employed cutting
Lat by Chr 53.20 N
Long by Chr 159.00

Tuesday July 2nd
Fresh Gales from
S.S East and South heading to the Westward
Saw Many finbacks Latter part rainy
Lat by Chr 53.52 N
Long by Chr 160.10 W

Wednesday July 3d
Cold rainy Weather
Wind S. East heading to South at 4 A.M the
wind Shifted to N. West Latter part of the
day Steering South raised Whales lowered
for them the most Boats Boatsteer struck
him afterwards Stackpole Cut Stuck
and Iron Drew
Lat by Obs 53.02 N
Long by Chr 162.00 W

Thursday July 4th

Cloudy weather wind from E.S.E steering to the Southward & eastward Stove boat gave the crew Plum Pudding and pumkins Pies with plenty of Cold water to wash it down with Mr Boston formerly first Officer lies now up below pining his days in Gloomy retirement regretfull of the Past and hopeless of the Future Poor Devil I Pity him but cannot help him

Lat by Obs 52.

Long by Ast 163.05 West

Friday July 5th

Continues thick weather at 3 PM the Wind got to the West ward tacked to the Southward Latter part fresh Gales saw right Whales heading to the Eastward

Lat by Obs 51 38 N

Long by Chr 162 13 West

Saturday July 6th

Fresh Gales throughout the day saw Six right whales did not lower the Boats for being to windward saw Ships in Chase of Whales. which afterwards proved to be the Susan of New Bedford, Capt Howland 32 Months out. Will not Understand what Quantity of oil he had on Board

Lat by Obs 52 01 N

Long by Ast 161.50 West

Sunday July 7th

Strong Gales from the Westward Ship Susan in Company carpenter employed repairing Stove boat latter part of the day Made Moderate sail the fore & Main to sails saw two right at Sundown

Lat by Obs 52 11 North

Long by Chr 161-27 West

Monday July 8th

Moderate breezes and fogy Weather employed mending boat if saw Six Sperm whales since we have struck the coast only knows when we shall catch another

Lat by Obs 51.32 North

Long by Ast 161.30 West

185 Second Voyage Wind S.E. Mr. Thomas

Tuesday July 9th

Foggy it seems as though we there never would be an end to it; and we have not been able to lower a boat twice during the last 17 days, but rather discouraging for a crew this season However as we do faithful sines weather can't be helped. Better luck next time

Lat by Obs 52.03 N
Long by Chro 161 40 W

Wednesday July 10th

Thick fog all day Stowed down 17 Bbls of oil in after Hold finished mending Stove Boat at 11 AM the fog cleared up a little so that we saw 2 Right Whales from off Mast lowered Struck one afterwards took one to the Ship

Lat by Obs 52.07 N
Long by Chro 161.00

Thursday July 11th

Strong breezes from West with frequent fog squalls at 4 Pull took Whale to the Ship and got ready for Cutting Con tulle to keep him lie until Morning at 4 AM called all hands and commenced cutting; after cleaning Ship However at 12 Meridian got 3/4 of the Whale in Board

Lat by Obs 52/10 N
Long by Chro 160.50 West

Friday July 12th

Fine weather throughout the day at 2 Pull finished cutting the largest; with fetter; whale we have taken during the voyage at 8 began to boil the whale and in the course of the twenty four hours have boiled up from the cooler 20 casks containing about 100 Bbls besides what is in the cooler and try pots pretty poor Mans work considering the other have had watch and watch below, and I think there is blubber enough to keep us boiling twenty four hours longer, but hope it will last 36 at least no more to day

Lat by Obs 52.24 Long 160.45

Account of oil

Sunday

Strong breezes from E.N.E
with rain and fog heading to the E.S.E Still boiling
our remaining Pipe, we have boiled during the
last twenty four hours 17 large casks, Bbls & Pipe
fullers 16 and 23 large Breakers containing bo
ut 1 bbls. We hence on as the saying is, like a willow
cruise we have about 40 Bbls more to boil tomo
we shall get through by daylight. Capt Pollard saw
Sperm whale to windward, did not trouble him
to much blasted Lat by Obs 52.06 North
Long by dect 160.55 West

Sunday July 14th

Weather more moderate
since Hauling gradually to the Southward accompanied
with thick fog at 12 A.M finished boiling in all 220
bbls. The largest Whale I ever took in my life
Cooper at work trimming oil for stowing below
Lat by Obs 51.40 N
Long by Obs 160.40 W

Monday July 15th

Fine weather all day
employed stowing oil. Stowed down 1 tide Bbls
Saw finbacks Lat by Obs 51.30 N
Long by Obs 160.4 West

Tuesday July 16th

Moderate weather fine this
Stowing down our oil, all hands very busy setting up
casks and making Breakers, lowered the Boats for
whales could strike on account of the fog
Lat by Obs 51.38 North
Long by dect 160.00 West

Wednesday 17th

Fresh breezes from S.W
with fog squalls saw Great numbers of finbacks
also saw Whale Bone and ambergris
Lat by dect 51.40 N
Long by dect 159.21 W

Thursday July 18th

Gales from N.E.by.E, thick weather
running E.S.E.by.E under Topsails and foresail
at 12 Noon the wind Changed to S.S.E.
Lat by dect 51.50 N
Long by 160.00 dect

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[illegible] at noon 11 [illegible]

Friday July 19th

[illegible] Gales [illegible]
westward [illegible] off [illegible] [illegible]
by for the night [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
but fore Hold for Shooks saw finbacks

Lat by Obs 51.43 North
Long by Chr 160.45 West

Saturday July 20th

Heavy Gales from
East leading North at 11 AM the wind Chang
to S.S.East this heading East Lat by Obs 53.00
Long by Chrt 161.00 W

Sunday July 21st

Gales from S.S.West
Steering E N East saw finbacks

Lat by Obs 52.20 North
Long by Chro 157.26 West

Monday July 22d

Strong winds from S.S.West
Steering N N East saw Great many finbacks
Cooper Employed setting up Shooks

Lat by Obs 53.43 N
Long by Chrt 155.40 W

Tuesday July 23d

Strong breezes from S.S.W
leading S.East Employed setting up Shooks
saw Great many finbacks Lat by Obs 52.22
Long by Chro 155.04 W

Wednesday July 24th

Moderate throughout the day heading
to the S.East at 10 AM saw hagfish [illegible]
and lowered for them - Coopers not strike
whales They could bring fresh [illegible] the boat

Lat by Obs 51.56 N
Long by Chr 154.35 W

Thursday July 25th

Pleasant Weather
with a little fog occasionally Chasing the whole
afternoon but cannot [illegible] them with
the Boats Latter part of the day fresh Gales
from South with rain Lat by Obs 52.20 N
Long by Chrt 155.00 W

[illegible] fresh
[illegible] fresh breeze
[illegible] Lat by Obs 51.46 N
Long by Chart 153.50 W

Saturday July 27th
1 AM Part of the day
Calm from East to the east Moderate and Clear
weather lowered for Right whales struck one at
afterwards broke the line at 12 Meridian cut
for Bonne Lat by Obs 51.56 N
Long by Chart 153 20 West

Sunday July 28th
Fine Weather at
2 PM lowered for Whales struck one afterwards
took one to the Ship saw Ship 6 miles West
Manouvering as by among Whales at 4 AM
Commenced cutting at 12 Meridian finished
Lat by Chart 51.50 N
Long by Chart 153.00 W

Monday July 29th
Foggy throughout
the day at 5 PM began boiling and in the
course of the day boiled out 70 Bbls
Lat by Obs 52 06 N
Long by Chart 153.30 W

Tuesday July 30th
Wind from South thick
fog, still boiling the whale and Setting up Shooks
Lat by Chart 52 25 N
Long by Chart 153.40 West

Wednesday July 31st
Wind and weather the
same as on the preceding day at 6 PM finished bo-
iling in all 164 Bbls Cleared up decks & Broke
out between decks to make room for casks &c
Lat by Chart 52.12 N
Long by Chart 153.05 West

Thursday August 1st
Foggy disagreeable weather
96 in the coopering oil for Stowing below Decks

[illegible]

[illegible] the whole day Stewed Moore
our oil [illegible] 127 Bbls 212 Wm Allen
cleared up a long enough [illegible]
to lowell Howell & Body for him but soon
afterwards shut in thick so that the Boats
was obliged to come on board

Lat by Obs 52 00
Long by Chr 153 00

Friday August 2d

Rain and fog thro
ughout the day Lying Moller Easy Still in
hope Said ankle allowed to get well Cooper Emp
loyed repairing casks Lat by Obs 52 20
Long by Chr 153 30

Saturday August 3d

Fogg the whole
twenty four hours Lying in Longitude hope
Said Cooper setting up Hoops Blacksmith
at his trade at 3 PM saw ship close about
2 gun shot in the course of few minutes
spoke her, the Benjamin Rush Capt
Gifford 3 years out Having taken 3 Right
whales this season on the Fishery

Lat by Chr 50
Long by Chr 153 00

Sunday August 4th

Very thick all day
Wind from S E Shift heading to the West Night
saw 2 Right whales close to the Ship did not
lower the boats on account of the fog

Lat by Chr 51 55 N
Long by Chr 153 00 W

Monday August 5th

To day the fog
uncommonly thick at 8 PM wore ship head
to the S East. at the close of day the wind chang
ed to the Westward and cleared up a little
set up a few casks Blacksmith at work —
making Rivets for same

Lat by Chr 51 40 N
Long by do 153 00 W

[illegible] Clear [illegible] Saw Whales
[illegible] the Boats [illegible] one. and afterwards
[illegible] a fine Breeze to strike. but [illegible] in [illegible] or
[illegible] one of the Officers [illegible]
[illegible] Farm [illegible] 8 Months out
1,250 Bbls Sperm Oil we left Boat
Lat by Obs 51.50 N
Long by Dist 153.00 W

Wednesday August 7th

Fine Weather thro
short the day Steering South & East saw 2 Right
Whales but could not get near them with the Boats
plenty of Birds about &c Lat by Obs 51.52 N
Long by Dist 154.4 W

Thursday August 8th

Fresh breezes from
West Steering E.S.East at 3 PM missed Whales
just as got ready to lower the Boats it shut in
thick fog and remained so Steering the afternoon
Guessing to the Northward of the Fillies & after fair
windy Weather Lat by Obs 51.45 N
Long by dist 154.00

Friday August 9th

Running Down
the plenty of Whales in sight lowered and
missed one By the Boat Bartlett lowered
again for another and struck and afterwards
pursued the Line lowered for another but could
not strike latter part Calm Lat by Obs 51.30
Long by dist 153.20

Saturday August 10th

Commences fresh breez
from east and Squally weather Boats off Cha
sing Whales, cannot get near them with the
Boats at 5 PM came on Board wind increasing
to a gale at 10 of the saw Whales to leeward but
did not lower the boats on them or Ones
Lat by Obs 51.09 N
Long by dist

Fresh breezes from
West & Latter part moderate & variable
Whales could not strike as usual the
wind & sky and water very clear at noon
from South Lat by Obs 51.0
Long by Chr 153.00

Monday August 12th
Fresh breezes from
South and foggy weather steering E by S
at 9 AM raised Whales put off took one
to the Ship Stove Starboard boat ~~[illegible]~~ at 11 AM
took the Starboard boat on Deck Ends Fresh
Gales plenty Whales in Sight Lat by Obs 50.03
Long by Chr 151.40

Tuesday August 13th
At 2 PM wore
around and commenced cutting parted
the hook lashing first thing lost the Head
Cut until Sunset and hoisted down for the night
Latter part Heavy Gales from West So Ends
Lat by Obs 49.49
Long by Chr 151.20

Wednesday August 14th
Fresh Gales from W.S.
and Squalls at 2 PM kept the Ship off before the
wind and commenced cutting at 7 PM finis-
ed the Watch and began boiling Ends foggy
Lat by Obs 50.08
Long by Chr 151.

Thursday August 15th
More Moderate
and foggy still boiling at 10 AM saw Right
Whale before the Ship lowered for him
but could not get near him at 12 the Boats
finished their way through the fog and
came to the Ship Lat by Obs 50.00
Long by Chr 151.00

Friday August 16th
Moderate and foggy
Rinsed Blubber still boiling at 4 AM finished
in all 140 Bbls. Lat by Chr
Long by Chr

[illegible] throughout
the day [illegible] the Ship Stowed down
[illegible] oil in after and fore Hold all 17 Bbls
Lat by ext 49-30 N
Long by ext 149.10 West
Sunday August 18th
Fresh breezes and Cloudy
and Clear Weather Steering S S East at 11 o'Clock Spoke Ship
Alert 13½ Months out 3050 Bound to Sandwich Island
Capt Middleton came on board and Spent the day
together, with his boats crew Lat by Obs 49.49 N
Long by ext 149.00
Monday August 19th
Moderate breezes
throughout the day Steering S S East Stowed down
our oil in all 50 Bbls cleared up the deck and
rigg off, bent fore topmast and M. T. G. Studding
Sails now Bound into sea in Good Company
got Lunar Obs which make the Long 149.02 W
Long by Chron 149.28 W
Lat by Obs --- 46.07 N
Tuesday August 20th
Moderate breezes from
N. West Steering S S East at 7 P.M. set Studding
sails Ship Alert in Company have outsailed her
15 Miles during the day and spared her Main Royal
Lower Studding Sail and two top Gallant Studding
Sails
Lat by Obs 43.47 N
Long by ext 149 00 W
Wednesday Aug 21st
Fresh breezes and
Squally Steering S.S.East Sailed down the
Ship Alert in Sight bent main top sail, Stowed
down our top Lunar Obs which make the Longitude
149.28 West
Long by Ch 149.25 West
Lat by Obs 41.44 N
Thursday August 22d Fine Weather
Steering S S East Repairing fore top Sail and fitting
up the Rigging Ship Alert in Sight astern
Lat by Obs 39.14 North
Long by Chr 148.39 West

[illegible] Steering [illegible]
Employed about the Rigging [illegible]
after Mastheads
Lat by Obs [illegible]
Long by Chro [illegible]

Saturday August 24th
Thick Weather
throughout the day Steering S by East from
abeam the Royal Mast Employed Starboard
Boat &c
Lat by Obs 36.26 [illegible]
Long by Chr 148.43 [illegible]

Sunday August 25th
Very Moderate
throughout the day Steering S East Saw
Ship Alert Steering the same
Lat by Obs 35-22 [illegible]
Long by Chr 149-3 [illegible]
Monday August 26th
Fine Weather
Throughout the day Steering S by East Got up
our Whale Tone Tackle & Spoke Ship
Alert went on Board, and Spent a few hours
with Capt Middleton talking about Whales
and our Voyage
Lat by Obs 34.02 [illegible]
Long by Chr 148.29 [illegible]

Tuesday August 27th
Very fine Weather
throughout the day heading S.E. by South
all hands Employed about the Rigging &c
Ship Alert in Company Capt Middleton
came on Board with us to tea
Lat by Obs 32 51 [illegible]
Long by Chr 147.40 [illegible]
Wednesday August 28th
Strong breezes from S.S.
Heading S.W. by West we have out lines all
Ship Alert 20 Miles Ahead the day Bill
commenced Leaking again have with
hold Water during the day and intend
to continue so
Lat by Obs 31.5[illegible]
Long by Chro 148.3[illegible]

[illegible] of Capt Mr Thompson

[illegible] regularly [illegible]

Strong breezes from
S.S.East heading [illegible] employed barrow
the Carriage down the Shortingale
Springs at 6 AM Doubled reefed the
topsails

Lat by Obs 30-58 S
Long by Chr 149.50 W

Friday August 30th

Continues strong
breezes and squally heading to the S.West
Employed variously wet the Hold tame
to clay

Lat by Obs. 30.29 S
Long by Chr 150.54 West

Sunday Aug 31st

Strong breezes from S.S
East heading S.W Employed about the rigging Sw
Breaches

Lat by Obs 29.39 S
Long by Chr 152 33 W

Sunday September the 1st

Winds and weather the
same as on the preceding day heading S.West
West the Hold tame

Lat by Obs 28.26 S
Long by Chr 154.21 W

Monday Sept 2d

E.S.East.

Winds variable from
to S.S.East heading to South and West Emp
loyed tuning and fitting the rigging

Lat by Obs 27.01 North
Long by Chr 155.50 West

Tuesday Sept 3d

Fresh breezes from the South
heading S by East latter part winds from S East
setting and tacking Rigging Lat by Obs 25.10 S
Long by Chr 156.[illegible] W
Set Lunar Obs which Gave the Longitude 155.41 W

Wednesday Sept 4th

Fresh breezes with
Squalls occasionally veering by the S.S East
Employed variously Set Lunar Obs
which Gave the Longitude 155 19 West
Do by Chr 156 05 W
Lat by Obs. 23.05 North

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Journal of [illegible]

Sunday 27 12/44 At 16 [illegible]
on the Horses [illegible] Sail [illegible]
out of the Harbor of Honolulu at
2 P.M. the Pilot left us Stowed away
&c &c Got altitudes both Chronometers
and found them different 4 3/4 Miles
Crew one gave 157.56.45 the other one —
158.1.30 at 4 P.M. set Main Top G.
Sail and Mainsail

Latitude 19 48 N

Monday Oct 28th

Strong trades and fine
Weather heading S.E. Got out the new
Bow Boat. took in the West Boat
to repair &c Sent down the cutting Pen
ants served them a piece Pickled over on
Potatoes &c

Lat by Obs 18.46.
Long by Chr 158.06 W

Tuesday Oct 29th

Wind and Weather the
same as on the preceding day heading
S.E by South repairing Cutting gear

Lat by Obs 16.53.
Long by Chr 157.20

Wednesday Oct 30th

Strong trades and fine
Weather on the day heading S.E by S with
the Cutting pendants [illegible]

Lat by Obs 14.46
Long by Chr 156.40 W

Thursday Oct 31st

Strong trades and fine
the day heading to the S.E. with [illegible]
[illegible] Royal Masts we will
[illegible] Spares and Crew [illegible]
Salmon & Sports cooked Employed repairing [illegible]
Gear & fast off [illegible] John Dall in
the Crank

Lat by Obs 12.16
Long by Chr 156.

[illegible] Lat 11.55 N
Long by Chron 156.01 W

Saturday November 2d

Heavy Rain speak the
Freedom of Baltimore Repairing, Strong Gales
Down Broad our course were after the Curlew
Fleet Saw nothing Lat. Reckoning to the East
Lat by Obs 50.47 N
Long by Chron 155.15 West

Sunday Nov 3d

Strong breezes and fine
Weather throughout the day Passed the East
Fleet Several Barrels of Sperm Water ops
Lat by Obs 9.11 N
Long by Chron 155.30 W

Monday Nov 4th

Fine Pleasing weather
heading to West Lat by Obs
Long by Chr 154.50 W

Tuesday Nov 5th

Light Winds and
pleasant Weather heading to the W.S. West and
S.West Saw two Ships the Walth Employed
variously Lat 6.51 North
Long by Chr 154.40

Wednesday Nov 6th

Moderate breezes and
fine Weather throughout the day heading
N.S. East Spoke Brig Pantheon of Fall River
24 Months out 3400 Bbls Wh oil, Bound
Home put Letters on board Lat by Obs 5.09 N
Long by Chr 153.58
Long by Chr 153.50

Thursday Nov 7th

Fine breezes from
East standing N.E. East Pantheon in sight to windward
Latter put squally Saw Great many Boobies
Lat by Obs 3.35 North
Longitude by two Chrons 154.44 West

painted two Boats [illegible]
of Cutting falls. &c Bark Pantheon in
pattern Hommewell Making cost for
painted Larboard and Starboard bow Boats

Lat by Obs 1.40 N
Long by Chro 156.21 W

Saturday Nov 9th

Heavy Squalls from E.
heading S.S.W. Latter part fine Weather saw
Many Porpoises

Lat by Obs 19 While
Long by Chro 157. 48 W
Long by Obs Chro 157. 38 W

Sunday Nov 10th

Moderate breeze from
E of E.N.E heading S.East saw a Bark to
Windward keeping S.East pilot Porpoise
accompanied the Ship

Lat by Obs 1.08 Sou
Long by Chro 15

Monday Nov 11th

Fine Weather all the
Bark Pantheon in Sight Repaired Main Top
sail &c will Soon

Lat by Obs 2 40 S
Long by Chro 156.41

Tuesday Nov 12th

Winds from East and
fine Weather employed Repairing Main
Topsail

Lat by Obs 4.03 S
Long by Chro 156 36 West

Wednesday Nov the 13th

Very fine Weather the
out part the day heading S.East Employed
Repairing Main Topsail

Lat by Obs 4.58 S
Long by Chro 156 22 West

Thursday Nov 14th

Winds from E. East
freshening to the S.East Lat in the Main
Topsail saw Pieces of Squall

Lat by Obs 5.1 Long 156.13

[illegible]

Friday Nov 15th

[illegible] to the [illegible]
with a gale were from 12 at 5 P.M. we were
blown from off the Boats. could not get them
up to them before sunset and to save them
we all came on board saw very large
piece of Spice. We got a Lunar Obs
which gave the Longitude 156.07 West
Long by Chron 156.09 West
do " " by Old Chron 155.55 West
Lat by Obs 5.13 South

Saturday Nov 16th

Fine weather steering
West to make Starbuck Island in
Lat 5.22 and Long 155 55 West at 6 P.M.
saw nothing of the Island tacked to the
South. Great many birds about the ship
Every time to indicate Land Cruising for
for Starbuck Island at Noon kept off
West.

Lat by Obs 5.19 S
Long by Chron 156 02 W
do Chron 155 48 W

Sunday Nov 16th at 4 P.M.
Lat 5.20 Long by Chron 156.25

Sunday Nov 17th

Fresh breezes all day heading
W.S.W. kept an Oca for Sair got Lunar Obs
Lat by Obs 3.55 South
Long by Obs 157.00
do. Chron 157.00

Monday Nov 18th

Strong breezes throughout
the day Employed Repairing Main Top
Gallant Sail Broke out for Bread & Bay
& Eth
Lat by Obs 3.39 South
Long by Chron 156 11 West

Tuesday Nov the 19th

Wind and Weather the
same as on the preceding day beating to the
Eastward. Repaired Main & Mizen Top Sail
Lat by Obs 3.41 South
Long by Chron 155.48 West

Wednesday Nov 20th

Fine weather throughout the day beating to the leeward to the Malden Islands at 11 AM made the Land bearing E.S.East 18 Miles

Lat by Obs 3 53.
Long by Newton 155.32 W
do by Ola Chro 155.14 W.

Thursday Nov 21st

Fresh breezes and fine weather beating for Malden Island which at daylight in the Morning was 15 Miles to leeward at 11 AM went on Shore. Caught a Mess of fish, Cookell and hall a good Number for the Island at 4 PM on 22d Came on Board Cleared up and Stood to the South ward, got Altitudes for Chronometers and found the Best one Correct 5 Min

155.02 West
New One do — 155.18 West
Lat Mile 3 58 South

Friday Nov 22d

Beautiful weather throughout the day heading to South and S.S.West Repaired the Saw Jumpers and porpoises

Lat by Obs 5.07 S
Long by Chro 155.35 W

Saturday Nov 23d

Very fine weather, North but Sky Above, and Becalm all round, Not a any thing of the Whale Kind in sight Not Even a porpoise although our Mind are Gloomy, we keep up a spirit and make the greater Exertions this Morning kept the Ship off S by West to make Starbuck Island at 9.30 AM Saw the Land bearing S.West Ran down under the North West Point and sent in boat for Fish and in the course of two hours procured 10 and Came on Board Saw the remain of two houses on the Island. Several old oil Casks at Noon the Island bore S.S.E dist 30 Miles Lat by Meridian Alt 5.35 S Long by Chro 155.58 West

Sunday Nov 24th

Very fine weather at 2 pm left Starbucks Alone and Stood to the South with all Eyes out anxious looking for the Spouters, all Seen is, Shoals the Birds Sea, he as good as Winged; latter part Strong breezes from N.E.

Lat by Obs 4.58 South
Long by Lect 156 40 West

Monday Nov 25th

Strong breezes from N.E. heading off S.W. broke out after hatchway well hauled the Chain Cables on deck and Set them Stowed them below again Set the Blacksmith work making Rivets &c &c Lat by Obs 2.59 South
Long by Chro 157.19 West

Tuesday Nov 26th

Wind and weather the same as on the preceding heading to the N by W Broke out the run, found a barrel of Oil Soap and two of vinegar. We knew nothing of. Repaired rigging Blacksmith making Rivets &c &c

Lat by Obs 1.20 South
Long by New Chr 157.28 West
D° by Old Chr 157 29.30 West
Difference 1.2

Wednesday Nov 27th

Winds from S.East well pleasant all Sail out Cruising for Whales Employed variously

Lat by Obs 1.20 S
Long by Chr 157 45 We

Thursday Nov 28th

Fine weather throughout the day heading South Sent down fore Top Gallant Mast and Sent up New one

Lat by Obs 2.48
Long by Chr 158 00 West

Friday Nov 29th

Moderate and fine weather heading to South have seen nothing that looks like Whales Not even a porpoise Oh dear

Lat by Obs 4.15 South
Long by Chron 158.11 West

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Saturday Nov 30th

Wind and Weather as usual, that is very pleasant, saw Large Breach to day and then for it, but saw both of it afterwards Lat by Obs 4 35 S
Long by Chr 157 52 E

Sunday — Monday Dec 1st

Beautiful Weather throughout the day Heading to the South
Lat by Obs 5.40 S

Monday Dec 2nd

Fair Pleasant Weather at 2 P M raised Sperm Whale at 6 P M took two 25 Bbls Whales to the Ship at daylight hooked on & Commenced Cutting at 8 AM finished and Made Sail
Lat by Obs 5.58 South
Long by Chr 157.29 West

Tuesday Dec 3rd

Moderate throughout the day. Employed Boiling saw peices of Spun Got Lapen Obs
Lat by Obs 5.46 South
which Made
Long by Chr 158.12 West
the Longitude 157 54 West

Wednesday Dec 4th

Breezes from N. Still Boiling, at 5 P M finished in all 52 Bbls Cleared up Decks and, Set Mainsail
Lat by Obs 5.54 South
Long by Chr 158.10 West

Thursday Dec 5th

Strong breezes throughout the day heading to the S. & E. Employed Burnously
Lat by Obs 4.20 S
Long 158.6 W

Friday the 6th

Strong breezes at 3 P M saw Whales going to the Eastward lowered the Boats but Could not strike Stowed down 40 Bbls Sperm oil
Lat by Obs 4.26 S
Long by Chr 158.00 E

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Saturday Dec 7th
Fresh breezes all day
heading to the Eastward saw Porpoises &c
Lat by Obs 14. 4 S
Long by Chr 157 50 West

Sunday 8th
Wind and weather the same
as on the preceding day heading S. East saw
finbacks and porpoises Lat by Obs 5.00 South
Long by Chr 157.4 West

Monday 9th
Fine weather all day
heading to N by West Set up fore topmast
rigging painted the Mizen Mast saw many
Birds around the Ship &c &c
Lat by Obs 4. 57 South
Long by Chr 156 56 West

Tuesday 10th
Strong breezes and pleasant
weather heading to the S & E East Employed painting
Spars Lat by Obs 3 48 South
Long by Chro 156.41 West

Wednesday 11th
Strong breezes and
rough weather heading to the Eastward
Employed painting Ship Lat 4.1 S
Long by Chr 156.24 W

Thursday 12th
Strong breezes throughout the
day at 10 Single Reefed the topsails Employed serving
Lat by Obs 4.32 South
Long by Chr 156.07 West

Friday 13th
Strong breezes heading S. East
at 9 A.M saw Starbuck Island to Leeward at Noon
the Island bore W N. West 12 Miles
Lat by Obs 5.44 S
Long by Chr 155 53 West

Saturday 14th
at 2 P.M went in under the
103 Lee of the Island. Fishing and in the course of day
procured 50 a 60 at 5 came on Board
Lat by Obs 5.37 Long 156 32 West

1864 Journal of Mr. [illegible] Jr. [illegible]

[illegible] on the 15th
Feather More Moderate
Steering N.N.W. of 3 Sperm unless Whales of
4 forward the Boats and took 25 Bbl Oil
to the Ship Lat by Obs 5-28 S

Monday Dec 16th
Strong Breezes Steering
to the North Employed boiling up 6 Bbl finished in all 30 Bbls
Cleared up Decks and set the Mainsail Lat by Obs 3.58 South
Long by Chro 156 47 West

Tuesday Dec 17th
Wind well weather the same as on
the preceding day Steering E.S.East at 4 P.M. carried brace when
saw Nothing of them afterwards, partly the bore topmast & prevents
Lat by Obs 15.16 South
Long by Chro 156.37 West

Wednesday Dec 18th
All then twenty four hours strong
breezes from East and Clear Weather Heading to the S.S.East
at daylight set Sail to the Northward Employed variously
Lat by Obs 5.29 South
Long by Chro 156 22 West

Thursday Dec 19th
Strong Gales throughout
the day heading to the N.E.East then fine weather
Employed variously Lat by Obs 3.54 South
Long by Chro 156.2 West

Friday Dec 20th
Wind and Weather the same
as on the preceding day at work about the rigging
Lat by Obs 3 39 S
Long by Chro 156.22 West

Saturday Dec 21st
Nothing in sight all day
heading S.S.East Employed variously Lat 4 52 S
Long by Chro 156 2[illegible]

Sunday Dec 22
Moderate Weather throughout
the day Steering N.N.West under all sail the Mainsail
Gaff keeps off aground
Lat by Obs 5 49 S
Long by Chro 156 40 We

Journal of Work done on the Jerseyman

Monday Dec 23rd
Beautiful Weather fastening
to the Raft Coopers on Deck flooring below
and a Bone Trank &c. Lat by Obs 5.06 S
Long by Chr 156 50

Tuesday Dec 24th
Fresh breezes through the day heading
to the North at work about the Jersey
Lat by Obs 3.57 North
Long by Chr 156 13

Wednesday Dec 25
Strong breezes and pleasant
Weather heading to the S.East. being Christmas day
Killed a Hog and had a fine dinner of Pork &c
Lat by Obs 4 49 South
Long by Chr 157 02 West

Thursday Dec 26th
Windy and Weather the same
as on 26th heading to the S.East Employed variously fitting
boxporns
Lat by Obs 5.33 South
Long by Chr 157 1 West

Friday Dec 27th
All these twenty four hours
Moderate breezes from East and very fine Weather heading
to the North under all sails Repairing our fluke Ropes
Lat by Obs 4.53 South
Long by Chr 157.14 West

Saturday Dec 28th
Moderate breezes through the
day heading to North Employed fitting Main Rigging
Lat by Obs 3.22 S
Long by Ch 157.22

Sunday 29th
Fine Clear Weather
heading to S.E at 11 AM saw Sperm
Whales and lowered for them
Lat by Obs 4.53 S
Long by Ch 157.23 West

Monday 30th
at 1 PM Struck a 40 Bbl Whale
afterwards cut the Line while taming the
Tank lost him at 5 Came Bck Bound S
Lat by Ob 4.56 S Long 156 59 West

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1844 [illegible] Mr Thompson

Tuesday Dec 31st

This day Strong Breeze blowing under all Sail to the Eastward Broke out Sail Room and gave the Rats a Stir up Lat by Obs 5 04 S
Long by Chn 156.56 We

1845 — — January the 1st

Beautiful Breezes from East heading S.East. Had Soup & Boiled well plum Pudding at Dinner & afterwards had to flog the Cook for his Abuse to the Mate Bel
Lat by Obs 5.14 S
Long by Chn 157.10 We

Thursday 2d

Strong breezes from East heading N.E. Altered the forward Cabin
Lat by Obs 4.45 S
Long by Chn 157 28 West

Friday Jan 3d

Strong Breezes and squally heading to the North
Lat by Obs 3 53 S
Long by Chn 156 38

Saturday Jan 4th

More a moderate heading to the S. East Employed picking Oakum
Lat by Obs 4.53 S
Long by Chn 156.12 West

Sunday 5th

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day heading N by East saw finbacks
Lat by Obs 4.8 South

Monday January 6th

Very fine Weather throughout the day heading to the North Stowed down our oil placed the Cabin Butt Head farther aft to make more Room between deck saw finbacks and porpoises
Lat by Obs 2.50 S
Long by Chn 156 26 We

Journal of Ship Mr. Thompson

Tuesday January 7th
Fresh breezes throughout the day heading South Employed Repairing our Ship Sail
Lat by Obs 3 50 South
Long by Chro 157. 02 West

Wednesday 8th
Wind and Weather the same as on the 7th at 9 AM saw Whales, at 10 AM took a 30 bbls Whale to the Ship at 12 finished cutting
Lat by Obs 4.44 S
Long by Chr 156. 37 West

Thursday the 9th
Strong breezes at 3 PM began boiling at 11 AM saw Whales at 12 Mean time the Boats in off in Chase of the Whales finished boiling in all 32 Bbls
Lat by Obs 4.44 S
Long by Chr 156 4 "

Friday the 10th
Fine Weather at 5 PM Larboard Boat struck and afterwards the Iron Drew and lost the Whale at 7 PM came on Board
Lat by Obs 4.51 S
Long by Chr 156 56 W

Saturday the 11th
Strong breezes from E.N.E standing to the North at 4 PM Spoke the Norwegian Ship 17th of May. 12 Months out 800 Bbls of Whaleoil per name Commander by = Crowell
Lat by Obs 4.34 South
Long by Chr 156 22 West

Sunday 12th
Strong breezes at 4 PM Spoke Ship Cassand Capt Hedges 40 Months out 1100 Sperm 700 Whale, had taken a 30 Bbls Whale that day Lat by Obs 4 35 S
Long by Chr 156 8

Monday 13th
Fine Weather standing to the South Saw Bank to windward Broke out our Iron Hoops and found 3/4 Tons
Lat by Obs 15 02 South
Long by Chr 156, 9

1844 Journal of a Whale Ship on

Tuesday January 14th

Strong breezes and pleasant Weather at 3 P M raised Whales heading to the Eastward did not Lower the Boats they being too far off

Lat by Obs 4 42 S
Long by Chr 156 36 W

Wednesday January 15th

Rugged Weather heading to the Southward Passed the 17th of Mary to windward

Lat by Obs 5 4
Long by Chr 156. 25

Thursday Jan 16

Strong breezes and Squally heading to the North Employed Picking oakum Lee Lumont

Lat by Obs 4 14 S
Long by Chr 156 52 W

Friday January 17th

Weather More Moderate heading to the S. East Coopered our oil Ready for Stowing

Lat by Obs 5.00 South
Long by Chr 156 22 W

Saturday 18th

Strong breezes Stowed down our oil in all 30 Bbls at 12 Meridian raised Whales

Lat by Obs 4.46 S
Long by Chr 156 25 Wes

Sunday 19th

Lowered for Whales at 4 P M took a 40 Bbl Whale to the Ship and cut him in before Sunset Saw Bark to Leeward under all Sail

Lat by Obs 4 46 S
Long by Chr 156 52 W

Monday 20th

Fine Weather Employed boiling at 9 A M raised Whales just off the Boats at 11 took two 40 bbl Whales to the Ship Got the Starboard Boat Stove & finished Boiling

Lat by Obs 4. 35 S
Long by Chr 156 50 W

Tuesday January 21st

Very fine Weather at 5 P.M. finished cutting and Whale side saw Bark to leeward under full sail at 12 Midnight began boiling

Lat by Obs 4. 53 S
Long by Ch. 156 35 West

Wednesday Jan 22d

Pleasant Weather still Boiling the Whales the Bark passed by to windward as we had set her Colours

Lat by Obs 4 42 S
Long by Ch. 156 50 W

Thursday 23d

Fresh breezes at 5 P.M finished boiling and set the Mainsail heavy rain during the Night at the Weather Cleared up Stuck to the S. East

Lat by Obs 4 35 South
Long by Ch 156.29 West

Friday Jan 24th

Strong breezes and Clear Weather heading to the South at 4 P.M. Spoke Ship Nassau 40 Months out 3000 Bbls at 8 A.M passed the Bark Seventeen of May, heading to the North Cooper Employed Trimming oil Boy Stowing below deck

Lat by Obs 4.47 S
Long by Chro 156 06 West

Saturday January 25th

Strong breezes and fine pleasant Weather heading Every Where but the right place for Whales Sent the Nassau to windward Stowed down our oil in all 102 Bbls

Lat by Obs 4 42 South
Long by Ch 156 00 West

Sunday January 26th

Strong breezes and fine weather Spoke and Boarded the Ship Nassau helped him demolish the Good part of a roast Turkey - discuss the Merits of same &c Saw Whales towards the Boats, could not get near them at 5 P.M came on Board

Lat by Obs 4 43
Long by Chro 155 46 West

Monday January 27th

Beautiful weather during
M.V.W. Cooper Employed dotting up Shoals
Lat by Obs 4.43 S
Long by Chr 156.20

Tuesday January 28th

Wind and weather
the same as on the preceding day, beating
S by E Employed Variously
Lat by Obs 4.46 S
Long by Chr 156 23

Wednesday 29th

Moderate throughout
the day beating to the Eastward Saw Blackfish
Lat by Obs 4.42
Long by Chr 156 29 W

Thursday 30th

Fine weather all day
beating to the Eastward Saw Ship Nassau S
to Leeward
Lat by Obs 4.35 S
Long by Chr 156 37 W

Friday January 31st

Fresh breezes and
squally Employed picking Oakum and
Mending the Boats
Lat by Obs 5.00 S
Long by Chr 156 13 W

Saturday Feb 1st

Strong breezes from N.E
beating to the Eastward Employed Variously
Lat by Obs 5.02 South
Long by Chr 155.42 West

Sunday Feb 2d

Moderate breezes N.E
and fine weather standing to the South
caught a Mess of fish Lat by Obs 4.28 S
Long by Chr 155 47 W

Monday 3d

Wind and weather the same
as on the preceding day Beating to the Eastward
under all Sail
Lat by Obs 4.48 S
Long by Chr 155.31 W

Journal of a Whale Ship [illegible]

Tuesday Feb 4th

Fine Weather all day Employed Stowing up Pipe Casks and Scuttling Water

Lat by Obs 5 02

Long by Time 155 06

Wednesday 5th

Strong breezes and fine Weather heading North Employed variously

Lat by Obs 5 15 S

Long by Chr 154 49 W

Thursday 6th

Fresh Breezes, Made Malden's Island at 3 P.M. sent in two Boats one for Fish, the other to Search the Island for Birds Eggs and in the Course of the Afternoon procured 30 wt Codfish & 3 Dozen of Good Eggs at Sunset Came on Board the Vessel then Bore E one mile Lat by Obs 4, 12 S

Long by Chr 154. 58 W

Friday 7th

Fine weather throughout the day Beating to the Eastward, fitting New Fore Yard at Noon Malden's Isl ab bt W 12 Miles

Lat by Obs 4. 13 South

Long by Chr 154 49 West

Saturday 8th

The 1st part Moderate Latter part Squally with rain Sent a Spar for a New fore Yard at Noon Malden's Isl East 11 Miles

No Obs, Sun Obscured

Sunday 9th

Breezes from ab East heading ab N.E. Employed as usual at 9 A.M. Russell Sperm Whales Lowered the Boats But Could not Strike at 12 Came on Board

Lat by Obs 2, 37 South

Long by Ch

Monday 10th

30 Minutes P.M. Very fine Weather at Russell Whales at 3 Struck, at 5.30 took a 40 Bbl Whale to the Ship at 7.30 finished cutting and Made fast

Lat by Obs 3 00 S Long by Chr 155 41 West

Extract of Mate Mr. Thompson

Tuesday Feb 11th

Strong breezes from E with squalls of rain occasionally at 5 P.M. finished boiling in all 42 Bbls Oil. Employed in setting Mainsail Reef Tackles and bunt lines &c

Lat by Obs 1.45 S

Long by Chr 156 02 W

Wednesday Feb 12th

Moderate breezes from E & E.S.E. East heading North Employed repairing Sails

Lat by Obs 3 Miles S

Long by Chr 156 25 W

Thursday 13th

Moderate breezes from E.S.E. with heavy swell from the North heading W by West

Lat by Obs 4 Miles N

Long by Chr 156 29

Friday 14th

Wind the same as on the 13th Standing to the North very heavy swell from N.E. Lat by Obs 1.55 N

Long by Chr 156 42

Saturday 15th

Wind from East heavy Mountainous cross sea heading North repaired Main Top sail Lat 3 44 N

Long by Chr 156 26 W

Sunday 16th

Took the N.E. trade with heavy squalls double reefed the Topsails Split Main Top Sail carried away Jib Boom Martingale &c

Lat by Obs 5.30 N

Long by Chr 156 30 W

Monday 17th

Strong Gales with high cross sea heading W by N. parted tacks and shift &c

Lat by Obs 7.02 N

Long by Chr 156 32 W

Tuesday 18th

Very Beautiful Weather turned out the topsails repaired fitted new set Main Top Gallant Sail

Lat by Obs 8.45 N Long by Chr 157,

Wednesday February 19th

Begins Brisk breezes from N.East and fine weather heading N.W. latter part squally Lat by Obs 10.44 N

Long by Chron Am 157.28.30 West

Do. .. by Obs Chron 157 26. West

Thursday 20th

Strong trades throughout the day heading N by W at 7 P.M. Single Reefed the top Sails at daylight Set all P Gallant Sail During the last 5 days the Ship has increased her leak from 500 to 1500 Strokes, for twenty four hours Lat by Obs 12.39 N

Long by Chron 158 47 W

Friday 21st

Wind and weather the same as on the 20th heading N by W Stowed down 33 Bbls of oil Cleared up Decks &c Lat by Obs 14 40 N

Long by Chr 158.10 West

Saturday 22d

Strong trades heading N by W and N.N.W Repaired by Works Saw one Solitary finback bound to the Eastward

Lat by Obs 16.47 North

Long by Chron 158.00

Sunday 23d

Wind and weather the same as on the 22d heading North Employed Variously

Lat by Obs 18.52 North

Long by Chr 158 26 W

Monday 24th

The 1st part Calm latter part Strong breezes Set up new Main Top Gallant Yard

Lat by Obs 20.6 N

Long by Chr 158 24 West

Tuesday 25th

Strong breezes Pleasant weather heading North at 10 A M Made the Island of Oahu bearing E by N distant 35 Miles Lat by Obs 21.30 N

Long by Chr 158.57 W

Wednesday 26th

108 Strong trades Beating up for Oahu, at 8 A M Kept Ship off for Hanalei in the Island of Tauai, at Noon within a Mile of the E Point

1845 Journal of the Ship N. Thompson

Thursday Feb the 27th

At 1 P.M. went on Shore at Hunalee. until Course of the afternoon got off 6 Hogs & Fowls. Mell Contracted for 10 Bbls of Sweet Potatoes and Yams. Found by Richard Charlton and his, Residing here at 10 in the Morning took on board our Potatoes and Yams and proceeded to Sea No Obs

Friday 28

Strong Breezes throughout the day heading to the North Repaired Wear Boat

Lat by Obs 23. 38 N
Long by Chr 159. 02 W

Saturday March 1st

Moderate all day heading N by East Employed Variously

Lat by Obs 25 14 N
Long by Chr 158. 46

Sunday March 2d

Fine Weather heading N.N. East

Lat by Obs 26 50 N
Long by Chr 157 35

From March 2 to April 6th Cruising about the Islands, in the Mean time took on Board 70 Bbls Sperm Oil, anchored at Byrons Bay, took in Wood and Water & Potatoes, touched at the Island of Mauna Dishaugee Mr Remmick, took on Board 22 Bbl Irish Potatoes, touched again at Oahu, Purchased 80 Bbls Casks, Stove Pipe & small Stores &c, and also touched at the Island of Atooi and took on Board 22 Hogs, and Lot of Cabbages, and left the place Show Bowsell to Port in good Cond

April 7th

Fresh Breezes Steering W. Sup in Light, to the Westward Steering Same Course sent down Main Topsail Cooper Employed setting up Casks

Lat by Obs 25 11
Long by Chr 166. 2

[illegible] throughout the
day [illegible] with the whole ships in
[illegible] employed setting up casks &c
Lat by Obs 27 00 N
Long by Chr 162 46

Wednesday April 9th
Strong breezes from
E.S.E. East and S.S.E. Lent Above fore top
Mast and Lent up Stew one
Lat by Obs 27.56
Long by Chr 163. 11 W

Thursday April 10th
Fine and Weather
the same as on the preceding day Stowing
the Lent fore top sail &c
Lat by Obs 28.36 N
Long by Chr 163 44 W

Friday April 11th
Fresh breezes from
S. East and pleasant Weather Stowing of the Chest
Employed variously
Lat by Obs 30 04 N
Long by Chr 164.32 W

Saturday April 12th
Fine and Weather the
same as on the Preceding day Stowing of the
Lead up the Rigging saw Great Many Finbacks
Plenty of Right Whale seen &c Lat 36 N
Got Lines & Ship Made the Longitude
165.15 West - Long by Chr 164 59.45 W
Lat by Obs 33. 01 North

Sunday April 13th
Very fine Weather throughout
the day stowing of the Chest saw Great Many
finbacks Lat by Obs 34 43 N
Long by Chr 165.6 West

Monday April 14th
Weather the same as usual
at Noon Sounding out Blubber Room and
Storing Water forward
Lat by Obs 35 42 N
Long by Chr 165. 13 W

[illegible] Wednesday April 16th

N W West Employed Variously

Lat by Obs 39.25

Long by Ac 164.00

Thursday April 17th

Sailed from West

and Clear Sailing N.N.W. about an Old

Man top Gallant Rail Cooper Employed

setting up Hook

Lat by Obs 41.33

Long by Ac 164.38

Friday April 18th

Moderate Winds

from N West Employed variously up

up over Hero Hole in Aft Cabin

Lat by Obs 42.36 N

Long by Ac 164.[illegible]

Saturday April 19th

Baffling Winds Thu

short the day Steering to N West Broke out the

Lat by Obs 43.16 N

Long by Ac 164.12

Sunday April 20th

Light Breezes from S.E

heading to the North Saw Great numbers finbacks

Lat by Obs 44.00 N

Long by Ac 163.50

Monday April 21st

Fine Weather [illegible]

N by E Employed filling the Boats

Lat by Obs 45.20 N

Long by Ac 162 45 W

Tuesday April 22d

Fine Weather heading

to the West plenty of finbacks

Lat by Obs 45 53 N

Long by Ac 161.40

[illegible]

[illegible] Moderate breezes from West with a more gentle breeze in the day, steering South [illegible] Pilots [illegible]

Long by Obs 160 3 West

Thursday April 25th

Moderate breezes from W.N.W to W.S.W Squalling to the W. East Latter part fresh [illegible] from W.S.W to the W.N.W West in fore & Main Topsails

Lat by Dist 41, 12 N

Long by Dist 159, 30 W

Friday April 26th

Strong Gales from S.E heading to the W.N.W took in Boats & Main Boat Stove the Waist Boat in getting her in, on deck, Latter part rainy

Lat by Dist 48 00 N

Long by Dist 160, 00 W

Saturday April 27th

Continues Strong Gales from W.S.W with high cross Sea Heaving to the W.N.W Ship a great Deal of Water thinner up the Larboard Quarter Boat &c

Lat by Dist 49, 10 N

Long by Dist 160 50 W

Sunday April 28th

Winds from East to West the S.S.E very thick Weather

Lat by Dist 48, 50 N

Monday April 28th

Winds and Weather the same as on the 27th Standing to the North Repeated Wear ship - Boat West-holes &c

Lat by Dist 49, 45 N

Long by [illegible] 60, 40 West

Tuesday April 29th

Thick rainy Weather, Standing North Lat by Dist only Double Reefed Main Top Sail and fore Sail Till noon Below

Lat by Obs 49 57 N

Long by [illegible] 159, 10 W

1845 Journal of Chas Wm Abbot

Wednesday April 30th

Strong breezes from
N.E. East and foggy weather the Ship
able & kept Wet Attended to the Home
Cloth Furlesse reefed Lance & log of wood

Lat by Obs 50.11 N

Long by Chr 160.50

Thursday May 1st

More Moderate
very thick fog the wind varying gradu
ally the Wind Broke out the Bunder
Room for Casks &c Lat 50.42 N

Long by 160 40 W

Friday May 2d

Foggy weather
Tacked to the N. East saw much Heading of
Latter part we cast for Tide saw Spermac

Lat by Obs 51=00 N

Long by Chr 161=01 W

Saturday May 3d

Light breezes from
S.West, steering North under all sail
the Watch at Work about the Rigging. Saw
finbacks attend the Course N. by East

Lat by Obs 51=55 N

Long by Chr 159 10

Sunday May 4th

Very fine weather
steering to the North sometime passing
in sight John Boyd. Native of Sandwich
Islands. Died of Consumption at 11 AM
he was Buried.

Lat by Obs 52 33 N

Long by Chr 158.59 W

Monday May 5th

Moderate Breezes fro
N.West at 2 PM Raised and lowered fo
Right-whales Chased until 5 PM then
Pipe them up and came on board saw
much lewerey heading N. East at 4 PM
Hoisted Sail as usual at 8 PM
lowered and got a Right whale to the Ship

Lat 52.40 N

Long by Chr 158 50 W

Journal of the Ship Ann Thompson

Tuesday May 6th
Fresh Gales from
N.West at 7 P.M finished cutting the Whale
at 4 P.M began boiling to Eng.
Lat by Obs 52 21 N
Long by Chr 158 30 W

Wednesday May 7th
Wind and Weather
the same as on the 6th Still boiling
Lat by Obs 52 35 N
Long by Chr 158 25 W

Thursday May 8th
Weather More Moderate at 8 P.M finished boiling Cleared up
Deck and Left Ready for Stowing down
our oil Stowed off the Run
Lat by Ast 52 35 N
Long by Ast 158, 20

Friday May 9th
Gentle Gale from
South Cleared our Whale Bone Latter
part very thick fog Lat by Ast 52 40
Long by Ast 158. 50

Saturday May 10th
Beautiful Weath
er throughout the day finished stowing
our oil &c Lat by Obs 52 40
Long by Chr 159. 24

Sunday May 11
Very fine Weather throughout
the day heading to the North Circle on Whale
Bone at 5 P.M saw 2 Right Whales far to
windward dare not lower the Boats
Lat by Obs 52 41 N
Long by Chr 157. 26

Monday 12th
Strong breezes and foggy
wind North setting up hooks and
getting Ready for Sea &c &c

Lat by Obs 52. 55 North
Long by Ast 157. 00 West

1845 Journal of Whale Ship Wm Thom

Tuesday May 13th

Light Breezes all day working to the North, Saw Spouts Occasionally,

Lat by Obs 52 57 N
Long by Ch. 156 30

Wednesday May 14th

Light breeze from South Steering N.E Saw Ship Steering the same Lat 4 PM Saw two Right lowered the Boats, Did not get fast at 7 PM came on Board. While pumping Ship this Morning, perceived the oil Leaked, Cut the Hole

Lat by 53. 20 N
Long by 157. 41 W

Thursday May 15th

Fresh Gales from East and thick Weather Snow & Light Whales Latter part Blow Moderate

Lat by Ob 53
Long 157. 56

Friday May 16th

Cloudy Weather Lowered for Whale Struck and afterwards broke the iron Saw Ship to windward

Lat by Ob 53.15
Long by Ch 157. 40

Saturday May 17th

Fine weather for the Most Part of the day Lowered for Whale Could not Strike Spike Back Noble of Row infest. Kept away 1400 Bs Whale oil saw him Strike a Right Whale and afterwards got loose from him

Lat by Ob 53. 17 N
Long by Ch 157. 26 W

Sunday May the 18th

Begins fresh breezes from S.S.E with fog squalls occasionally heading East saw Right Whale going fast South,

Lat by Obs 53 26 N
Long by Chn 157. 10 W

Journal of the Thompson

Monday May 19th

Wind from S.E

with Jason Cornell will took a Right Whale
off & hooked on and cap him in, thick Snow
Storm

Lat by ast 53. 30 N
Long by ast 157. 05 W

Tuesday May 20th

At 4 P.M the
Whole Changed to the N West. Employed
Boiling Saw Ship to the Southward Latter
part Clear

Lat by Obs 52 59 N
Long by Obs 157. 6 W

Wednesday May 21st

The 1st part Moder
ate Latter part heavy Gales from E & E.S.E
finished boiling A.Noon. Saw two Ships

Lat by ast 53. 17 N
Long by ast 157 20 W

Thursday May 22d

Heavy Gales from
E.N.E at 10 P.M the Whole Shifted Suddenly
to S.S.West. High Cross Sea running Scraped
our Whale Bone

Lat by ast 53 30 N
Long by ast 157. 50

Friday May 23d

Very fine Weather
Stowed Moron our oil in all 108 Bbls Cleaned
up decks and washed off

Lat by Obs 52 50 N
Long by Ch 158 26

Saturday May 24th

Moderate breezes
from S.East. Cloudy, Struck and after wards
the Iron Drew from a wounded Whale saw
two Ships in the Course of the day

Lat 53. 19 N
Long by Ch 158. 16 W

Sunday May 25th

Fresh breezes from E
with light rain at 2 P.M lowered for Whales
of 6 P.M struck, very soon afterwards the Whale
Run over the Boat upsetting her, spilt drowning
John Curtis, and hurting John Thomas, and
Wounding one or two more, all without staving
the Boat or loosing any thing belonging to her

1845 [illegible]

Saturday May 25th Continued

At 8 PM took in the Boat about the same time Capt Penkle of Ship Benjamin Morgan, Boarded to see and hear what had occured about Whale Men &c

Lat by Obs 53.[illegible]
Long by Ch 158.13

Monday May 26th

Begins Moderate from West and very fine weather Steering E & E Lowered for Whales but Could not Strike Saw two Ships Latter part of the day thick and Rainy Broke out for Beef and Molasses

Lat by Obs 53.26 N
Long by Chn 158.00

Tuesday May 27th

Strong breses from South and hazy weather Steering E & East Saw finbacks and porpoises

Lat by Obs 53.09 N
Long by Ch 156 55

~~Wednesday Monday~~ May 28th

Fresh Gales from S. East at 10 PM Spoke Ship Castalia Bound to the Westward Latter part rainy

Saw Olmered

Thursday May 29th

Commences heavy Gales from S. West Lying to under Close Reefed Main Top Sail Shipping a great deal of Water.

Lat by Obs 53 54
Long by Chn 154 30

Friday May 30th

Very fine weather with heavy swell from S. W. At 3 PM Spoke Ship Elizabeth of Freetown Capt Elisha Gipp 18 Months out 120 Bbls Whale Oil. at 6 PM Spoke Ship Governor Pough 400 Whale Capt Sylva at present Master Capt Jennings having died at Oahu on the 4th of this Month Latter part chasing whale at 10 AM Struck and afterwards broke the Irons and Entirely Lost

Lat by Ch 53 55 N Long 154.20

Saturday May 31st

Fresh Breezes from South heading to the Westward Struck two Right Whales, Hadlee from one and cut from the Other, and lost 100 fathoms of line for want of Good Management

Lat by Obs 54,00
Long 153,20 W

Sunday June 1st

Rugged Weather at 10 PM the winds Changed to S.West, No Right Whales in Sight to day. Saw a Bark to windward, called it the Elizabeth of Freetown at Noon More Moderate

Lat by Obs 54,10 N
Long By Chr 153,8

Monday June 2d

Strong breezes from S.West Cruising for Whales Saw 2 Ships in the Course of the day

Lat by Obs 54,00 N
Long by Chr 152,49 W

Tuesday June 3d

Fresh Gales from S.S.E with heavy rain heading to the Westward Saw one Right Whale Ayes not Lower the Boats

Lat by Alt 53,47 N
Long by Alt 153,00

Wednesday June 4th

Weather Getting more Moderate but heavy Sea running at 4 PM lowered for Whales, Could Not Strike at daylight raised More Whales lowered Struck, and drew the Irons

Lat by Obs 54,06 N
Long by Chr 152 39 West

Thursday June 5th

Fresh Gales from S.West at 1 PM lowered for Whales Struck one, and set him to Spouting Blood, hung on to until nearly Sunset. then cut the Line and Came on Board. Latter part heavy Sea Running at 10 AM Spoke Ship America of Stonington

Lat by Alt 54 00
Long by Chr 152 30

1845 Journal of the Ship Wm. Thompson

Friday June 6th

Gales from S.West at 10 A.M. Ship America of Stonington saw 3 Whales from off Mark Island not lower the Boats

Lat by Obs 54 02 N

Long by Chr 153 05 W

Saturday June 7th

Wind a Gale from South to North around by the East, accompanied with heavy rain Saw 6 Whales did not lower the Boats at 11 A.M. the Wind hauled to the N.West fresh Gales &c

Lat by Obs 53. 32 N

Long by Chr 153. 04 W

Sunday June 8th

It just fine weather Lowered for Whales but could not strike Latter day Steering North

Lat by Ast 54.. 20 N

Long by Ast 152.40 W

Monday June 9th

very rainy. Steering to the North Spoke Ship Hero of Warren 5 Whales this Season Lat by Ast 54 53

Tuesday June 10th

Fresh Gales from S.West Spoke Ship Minus of Lynn 200 Bbls Lowered and took Right Whale Lat 55 26 N

Long by Chr 150. 6 W

Wednesday June 11th

Strong breezes from S.W cross Sea on. Spoke Ship hooked on 2nd cut in the Whale Saw 5 Ships in the course of the day

Lat 55.30

Long by Ast 150 00

Thursday June 12th

Thick part fine Weather Employed cutting up the Whale at 10 A.M Lowered for Whales at 12 Boats fast

Lat by Ast 55.35 N

Long by Ast 150.00 W

Journal of Ship Wm Thompson

Friday June 13th Moderate breezes from S.E and
pleasant weather at 4 P.M took a Whale to the
Ship - after part strong winds and rainy cut
in the Whale
Lat by Obs 55. 43 N
Long by Acct 150 20 W

Saturday June 14th
Strong breezes from East
and rainy, boiling the Whale latter part of the
Day very fine Weather, Saw 2 Ships to the South
ward
Lat by Obs 55. 41 N
Long by Chro 149 57 West

Sunday June 15th
Varia from S West and
foggy Still boiling at 2 P.M Struck Right Whale
killed afterwards passed the Line
Lat by Obs 55 42 N
Long by Acct 150 00 W

Monday June 16th
Beautiful Weather
Still Boiling Saw Eight Ships at 5 A.M
Struck right Whale and after towing the Boats
about for four hours cut from him and some
Bland leaving 7 Irons &c in the Whale
Lat by Obs 55 40 N
Long by Acct 150. 00 W

Tuesday June 17th
Moderate breezes from
S.West. finished boiling, Stowed down 108 Bbls oil
Saw 10 Ships in the Course of the day, Spoke Bark
Vermont 3 Whales this Season Lowered several
times for, Could not Get fast Lat 55 26 N
Long 150 30 W

Wednesday June 18th
Foggy Weather finished
stowing down our oil in all 200 Bbls. Struck
a Whale, and drew the Irons saw many Ships
all Whaling
Lat by Acct 55 45 N
Long by Acct 150 00 W

Thursday 19th
Very fine Weather at 3 A.M
Lowered and took a Whale to the Ship and
cut him in Saw Ships to Leward take a Whale
Lat by Obs 55. 43 N
Long by Acct Chro 149. 26 W

1845 Journal of a Voyage in Search of Sea

Friday June 20th

Fresh breezes
S.West finished boiling in ale 116 Bbls
saw Several Ships Lat by Obs 55,5
Long by Chr 149,5

Saturday June 21st

Foggy throughout
the day Employed Sealing Whalebone
Lat by Obs 55 4
Long by Chr 149,3

Sunday June 22

Moderate and foggy
Dried our Whalebone, Got Ready for
Stowing down our oil
Lat by Obs 55 40
Long by Chr 149,2

Monday June 23

Weather the same
as on the preceding day heading to the S,E
Stowed down our Oil Lat by Obs 55,26
Long by Chr 149,

Tuesday June 24th

Calm and foggy
Weather Got a glimpse of 3 ships during the
day had a clean wash off &c &
Lat 55.16 N
Long 149 00 West

Wednesday June 25th

foggy wind from
S.West, heading S.East Employed setting up Shro
and repairing Stove Boat
Lat by Obs 54 43 N
Long by Chr 149.50 W

Thursday June 26th

Fresh breezes from
S.West, foggy weather heading S.E repairing
Boat that Moon cleared up a little
more so than it has for the seven days
past.
Lat by Obs 54.100
Long by Chr 148 40 W

Journal of Whale Ship Wm Thompson

Friday June 27th
Strong breezes from S.West Tacked to the S & Ly, Searched for Whales but could not Strike
Lat by Obs 54.55 N
Long by Chr 148 20 W

Saturday June 28th
Close breezes from S.West Steering N & W Met Spoke Bark Roscius Capt Hussard 3 Whales this season saw Ship to Leward called it the Pearson of Newbury Latter part fresh Gales saw 15 Whales in the Course of the forenoon
Lat by Obs 55 38 N
Long by Chr 148 40 W

Sunday June 29th
Gales from S.East with a high cross sea heading S.West have been in Green Water all the afternoon at 6 P.M wore to East - Saw Several Whales to Leeward did not lower the Boats
Lat by Obs 55 46 N
Long by Chr 148.50 W

Monday June 30th
Wind and weather the same as on the 29th Standing East and West to keep on Whale Ground, and be ready for them when the season. Mollendes saw Ship to Windward heading South
Lat by Chr 55 56
Long by Chr 149.00

Tuesday July 1st
Wind More Moderate but heavy Swell on Longing for Whales several times this afternoon but did not, or rather would not get fast at 5 P.M Came on Dense Latter part of the day very rainy
Lat by Chr 56 00
Long by Chr 149 10 W

Wednesday July 2d
Fresh breezes Steering E.S.E Spoke Ship Columbia 4 Whales this season have 2 Whales lowered but could not Strike
115
Lat by Obs 55 40 N
Long by Chr 150 00

1845 Journal of Ship Mr. Thompson

Thursday July 3rd

Fresh North East

of the day Spoke Ship Citizen of Kentucky 4 Whales Soon afterwards spoke Ship Milton 3 Whales this season

Lat by Obs 55-57

Long by Ch 149.20

Friday July 4th

Pleasant Weather

Spoke Ship Factor 5 Whales also Ships Citizen and Milton All three captains came on Board and spent the day

Lat by Obs 55.20 N

Long by Lat 148 00

Saturday July 5th

Fine weather

Steering N.N.E 5 Ships in sight saw many finbacks

Lat by Obs 55 57

Long by Chr 146 00

Sunday July 6th

Ver. fine weather

Steering N. East - Saw 6 Ships, and 1 Right-Whale saw two Carcasses

Lat by Obs 56 47

Long by Chr 144 14 W

Monday July 7th

Beautiful Weather

Steering N E by N saw 5 Ships and 9 Right-Whales, lowered but could not strike

Lat by Obs 57.10 N

Long by Chr 142.38 W

Tuesday July 8th

Wind S. East

and rainy, saw 1 Right-Whale going very quick to the Eastward Lat by Lat 57 20

Long by Chr 142.30 West

Tuesday July 9th

Wednesday July 10th

Moderate breeze from North Steering S East saw 2 Right Whales but could not strike

Lat by Obs 56 43 N

Long by Chr 142 00

Journal of Three ships, Wm. Thompson

Thursday

and took a Right Whale to the Ship and cut him in Saw Ship Boiling
Lat by Obs 56 14 N
Long by Chr 142.7 W

Friday July 11th
Calm, Empty Boiling
Saw two Ships in the Course of the day
Lat by Obs 56 09 N
Long by Chr 146. 38 W

Saturday July 12th
Very fine Weather
finished Boiling at 3 P.M. Spoke Ship Formosa, Capt Briggs 150 Bbls this Season saw him Strike a Whale and afterwards lose him
Lat by Obs 56 08 N
Long by Chr 141. 48 W

Sunday July 13th
Fresh breezes from West at 4 P.M lowered and took a Whale to the Ship Saw 2 Ships, one heading North and the other South
Lat by Obs 56.00
Long by Dect 141 14 W

Monday July 14th
Strong breezes and rainy Empty boiling. Very Green Water
Lat by Obs 55.47
Long by Dect 141. 30 W

Tuesday July 15th
foggy Weather
Still Boiling While S. East
Lat by Dect 55 43
Long by Dect 141. 6. W

Wednesday July 16th
While from West and foggy finished boiling in Very green Water
Made Ship Standing to the Southward
Commenced Stowing Sperm oil
Lat by Obs 55 38
Long by Dect 141.00

1825 Journal of the Ship Mr. Thompson

Tuesday July 17th

Fine Weather

at work stowing oil, stowed down 21
making in all 725 Bbls oil

Lat by Obs 55. 3.
Long by Chr 141. 6

Friday July 18th

Light breezes fr
S. West heading Southerly cleared up
decks and washed off Made all shift &c

Lat by Obs 55..
Long by Chr 141..

Saturday July 19th

Fine Weather Stand
ing S.E spoke Bark Doyalle Capt Bolles
5 Whales this season

Lat by Obs 55 3
Long by Chr 141 3

Sunday July 20th

Calm throughout
the whole day saw 2 Ships to the Eastward
passed 2 Cutting tubs afloat on the Water
lowered the Boat for them but they
were so nasty did not take them in
the Boat

Lat by Obs 56 11 N
Long by Chr 140 38

Monday July 21st

Calm and foggy
at 10 AM took a breeze from South
and very soon afterwards the fog cleared
up

Lat by Obs 55 49
Long by Chr 141. 11

Tuesday July 22d

foggy Weather
wind from South spoke Ship Eliza of Havre
3 Whales this season

Lat by Obs 55 05
Long by Chr 139. 58

Wednesday July 23d

Very fine Weather
at 6 PM lowered for Whales. South Not Strike
Latter strong breezes and rainy steering S.S.East
saw Ship to Leward steering E.S.E

Lat by Obs 53. 42 N
Long by Chr 139. 38 West

Journal of Ship Wm. Thompson

Sunday July 24th
Strong breezes
from West, Steering S.E under Single Reefed
Topsails Employed Mending belaying Pins,
Lat by Obs 53. 42
Long by Chr 139. 81

Friday July 25th
Rainy. Disagreeable
weather. Wind from S.E to West. Said Ship
boiling at 10 A.M lowered and took a Whale
to the Ship heavy swell from West Kept the
the Ship of before the wind and began Cutting
with fine Weather, And in Mean time got
Lunar Obs. Which gave the Long 138. 59. 30 W
Do by Chr 138. 41 West
Lat by Ho. 52 54 N

Saturday July 26
Calm Employed boiling Ship
Formosa in Sight Saw 1 Right Whale
Lat by Obs 52 50 N
Long by Chr 138 54 W

Sunday July 27th
fine Weather Employed
boiling. 2 Ships in Sight
Lat by Obs. 52 47 N
Long by Chr 138. 41 West

Monday July 28
fresh breezes from
West Stowed down our oil in 100 Bbls lowered
and took another Whale Lat 52 47 N
Long 138 50 W

Tuesday 29th
very fine Weather cut
in the Whale saw Ship Formosa to windward
Whaling
Lat by Obs 52 57 N
Long by Chr 138 59 W

Wednesday 30th
Employed boiling
Chased Whales in company with Ship Formosa
Neither Ships got any Lat by Chr 53 09 N
Long by Chr 139 10 W

finished Cow & Ships [illegible] 53 1[illegible]

Friday August [illegible]

Wind from West and Clear Stowed down our Oil in all the Stowed off the Hatchways Cleared up Deck and Made Sail

Lat by Obs 52 50
Long by Chr 139.00

Saturday Aug 2d

Wind from West and fine Weather heading to the N.East Saw a French Ship to the Westward Called it the Argo Saw one Right Whale lowered the Boats but Could not Strike

Lat by Obs 52 52 N
Long by Chr 139.46

Sunday Aug 3d

This day came in with an increasing breeze from S.E and Rainy Weather Ship heading S.West at 12 Midnight the Wind Suddenly Veered S.West and afterwards the Weather cleared up, Ship a great Deal of Water &c

Lat by Obs 52 54 N
Long by Chr 138.16 West

Monday Aug 4th

Fresh Gales from S.S.West heading E.S.E the Wind heading gradually to the S.E Saw Ship to leeward Boiling Saw 2 Right Whales going quick S.E Latter part Rainy Weather

Lat by Obs 52 50 N
Long by Chr 138.40 W

Tuesday Aug 5th

Rainy, Wind from N.East heading S.E at 2 o'clk the Wind shifted to the N.West latter part fresh Gale and Squally Saw one Right Whale and Great Many Porpoises

Lat by Obs 52 02 N
Long by Chr 138.40

[illegible] Light breezes
[illegible] from S.E.
Calm, the Cutter Push head of Bone
[illegible] Empire Working Pumps
Lat by Obs 52.07 N
Long by Chron 138 39 W

Thursday Aug 7th
Foggy unpleasant weather
standing S.East, great swell from S.West, towards
Noon Clear, took a lunar Obs, Quick Cove
the Longitude 138.25 West Lat by Obs 51.13 N
Long by Chr 138 18 W

Friday Aug 8th
The W part Clear Weather
heading S.E latter Being at 5 AM the wind hauled
to the E&E tacked to the S.S.West Lat by Ast 50.40 N
Long by Ast 138.05 W

Saturday Aug 9th
Strong breezes from S.E
and very rainy weather heading S.W & S. under
double Reef Top Sails Nothing occured to day worthy
of Notice Lat by Ast 50 20 N
Long by Ast 140 00 West

Sunday Aug 10th
Rainy disagreable
cold weather at 4 the wind hauled to the Southward
and cleared off Got Lunar Obs. latter part calm
and pleasant Weather Lat by Obs 49.43 N
Long by Chr 139.27 West
Long by Lunar 139.41 W

Monday Aug 11th
Moderate breezes from
East and very foggy Weather Steering S by West gave
the Ship a thorough wash off Deck New Set of Running
Rigging &c Lat by Ast 48.46 N
Long by Ast 139.50 West

Tuesday Aug 12th
Light breezes from South
and very foggy heading E.S.E at 10 AM the wind hauled to
the S.West and blew away to a Calm
Lat by Obs 48.18
Long by Chr 139.[illegible]

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Wednesday Aug 13th

Commenced Pelt Men with a Breeze from S. East to the East having got 12 Skins the Men employed to the Shroud & sail Set for Top Mast Sail, in a Contrary Stream Sailed Flying Silk Lat by Obs 47.40 N
Long by Chr 139.0 W

Thursday Aug 14th

Light Breezes from West Steering South but New fore Top Sail at 10 AM the Crew hauled to West: with sprittes
Lat by Obs 46 05 N
Long by Chr 139.50 W

Friday Aug 15th

All these twenty four hours Strong breezes from W. West and West Steering South and S by East Empled fitting and tarring Rigging Saw Great Many Black fish and Pinbacks
Lat by Obs 43.32 N
Long by Chr 140.10 W

Saturday Aug 16th

Wind and Weather the Same as on the preceding day Steering South all hands Employed Variously
Lat by Obs 40.48
Long by Chr 141.26 W

Sunday Aug 17th

Light breezes from S.S.W. with Showers of Rain occasionally Steering S by W Saw pinbacks and porpoises
Lat by Obs 39.08
Long by Chr 142 00

Monday Aug 18th

Light breezes from N.N.East Steering South. Empled Bailing dry sand in the Mizen Top and Sky Sail Mast
Lat by Obs 37.30 N
Long by Chr 142.35 W

Tuesday Aug 19th

Fresh breezes from N East Steering South all hands at work on the Rigging
Lat by Obs 35.24 N
Long by Chr 142.39 W

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Wednesday August 20th

Fresh breezes from E by S steering South as
Work on the Keffing Lat by Obs 32.50 S
Long by Ch 143 10 W

Thursday August 21st

Wind the same
as on the preceding day Steering South as Work as
usual Lat by Obs 30. 30 S
Long by Ch 143. 40 W

Friday August 22

Moderate and Clear, Steering
S by West Latter part using Saw Blackfish and 8 22
Lat by Obs 28. 54 S
Long by Ch 144. 40 West

Saturday Aug 23d

Moderate breezes from E.S.E with
Squalls of rain occasionally Steering S.West by South Employed trying
Whale Bone Got Lunar Obs Lat by Obs 27.. 22 North
Long by Lunar 146.. 5 West
Do by Chro 145. 52 West

Sunday Aug 24th

Light breezes and Raining Weather
Wind E.S.E. Steering S.West S Latter part wind Baffling
from East to S.S.W by the South Lat by Obs 25 0 Obs
Long by Chr 147. 10 W

Monday Aug 25th

Light breezes from E S E
throughout the day Steering S.West Employed Washing Ship
outside and trying Whale Bone Lat by Obs 24 58 S
Long by Ch 148. 10 W

Tuesday Aug 26th

Wind and Weather the
as on the preceding day Steering S.W by S. Employed still
Blacking the Iron Work Got Lunar Obs which gave
the Longitude 149.. 32 West
Lat by Obs 24 09 S
Long by Chro 149. 23 W

Wednesday Aug 27th

Continues Light Breezes
from East Steering S.W by W Employed Repairing Sails
Got Lunar Obs which gave the Longitude
149 150.. 26 W Lat by Obs 23 17 S

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Wednesday Oct 8th

Part of the day Moderate and fair fresh breeze and pleasant. Took lunar Obs which gave the longitude 151.29 Ent Do: by Chron 151.11 Ent Dist by Obs 22.04 W

Wednesday Oct 15th

Fresh breezes from East and very fine weather at 8 PM Came of from our Mooring in Honolulu Harbour Hauled Foretopsail out to sea as did twelve other ships in the Course of the day at 5 P.M. Capt on Board at 5 PM left the Nor-Bound home in Good Earnest at 6 Let all Sail

Thursday Oct 16th

1st part Light breezes Latter part Mostly Calm heavy Swell from East saw 4 Ships all going same Course

Lat by Obs 14.44
Long by Do 159.56

Friday Oct 17th

Light breezes from East with a high Cross Sea on making 25E saw several Ships in the Course of the day all heading same way Lat by Obs 18.51 N
Long 157.31 West

Saturday Oct 18th 1845

Strong Trade Winds and Clear Weather, Ship Great Heavy of Water, Split fore topsailant sail Mon Main, Mon sik

Lat by Obs 17.17 N

Journal of Capt Wm Thompson

Wind and Weather the
same as on the preceding day Saw 2 Ships
Lat by Obs 15 02 N
Long by Chron 156 W

Monday Oct 20th
Strong N E Winds
heading to S E Sprung the Topsail Yard
several times saw Ships Ahead
Lat by Obs 13. 01 N
Long by 155 50 W

Tuesday Oct 21st
Wind and weather the same as on
the preceding day Steering to the S East saw two
Ships
Lat by Obs 11. 17 N
Long by Chron 155. 22 W

Wednesday Oct 22d
Light breezes from E S East
all day heading South Empty barrels saw
Ships Ahead & another astern
Lat by Obs 10. 17 N
Long by Chn 155 32 West

Thursday Oct 23d
Light breezes and rainy
weather heading to the southward spoke a ship
Windward Capt Bethaway 15 Months out. 500
Bbls Saw Ship ahead
Lat by Obs 9. 08 N
Long by Chn 154. 48 W

Friday Oct 24th
Light airs mostly calms
heading West Latter part more Rain
Lat by Dist 8. 20 N
Long by Dist 154. 45

Saturday Oct 25th
Calm and very
Rainy working to the Southward Saw
Ships Ahead
Lat by Obs 7. 50 N

Sunday Oct 26th
W part of the day
Rainy Latter part Light breeze from East and very
fine weather Got some Obs which gave the
Longitude 153. 00.
Lat by Obs 7. 22 N
Long by Chn 153. 23

1845 Journal of Charles Shepard

~~Fridays~~ Monday Oct 27th

Light breezes from East steering S S East
Officer of the Blacksmith Empire at his trade
Lat by Obs 3.54 S
Long by 152.50 W

Tuesday Oct 28th

the day heading S by S
Fine weather throughout
Lat by Obs 4.33 S
Long by Ch 153 50 W

Wednesday Oct 29th

the 28th heading S S West
Weather the same as on
Lat by Obs 3.20 S
Long by Ch 154.30 W

Thursday Oct 30

the day
Fine weather throughout
Lat by Obs 2.00 S
Long by Ch 154 52

Friday Oct 31st

on the preceding day
Weather the same as
Lat by Obs 52 Miles S
Long by Ch 155.16 W

Saturday Nov 1st

Lat by Obs 1.00 South, Long by Ch 155 18 W
Fine weather all day

Sunday Nov 2d

heading S S East
Beautiful weather
Lat by Obs 2 30 South
Long by Ch 155 32 W

Monday Nov 3d

heading E.S.E Got Lunar Obs which gave the
Longitude 155.01 West Long by Chron 155.6 W
Strong winds from S E
Lat by Obs 3.33 S

Tuesday Nov 4th

South for Mellons Island in Lat 4.00 South and
Longitude 155.00 West at 2 P M saw the Land
bearing South distant 18 Miles at Sunset passed
by Willowell of the Island. Latter part of the
day Light airs saw finbacks
Shaped our course
Lat by Obs 4.50 S
Long by Chron 154 30 W

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Wednesday Nov 5th
Calm for the Most part of the day Latter squally with rain
Lat by Obs 5.24 South
Long by Chn 154.31 W

Thursday Nov 6th
Light breezes from East with squalls of Rain occasionally Employed Repairing Sails
Lat by Obs 6.44 South
Long by Chn 154.20 West

Friday Nov 7th
Light breezes from East and very fine Weather Employed variously
Lat 8.28 South
Long by Chn 153.51 West

Saturday Nov 8th
Winds and Weather the same as on the preceding day Employed fitting rigging
Lat by Obs 9.35 South
Long by Chn 153.21 West

Sunday Nov 9th
Light breezes with squalls of Rain occasionally Saw Blackfish
Lat by Obs 11.01 South
Long by Chn 153.46 West

Monday Nov 10th
Light breezes as usual heading S.S.East Broke out and stowed off the fore Hold
Lat by Obs 12.22 South
Long by Chn 153.21 W

Tuesday Nov 11th
Light breezes and rainy Weather Standing South and Great Mare Sails
Lat by Obs 13.48 South
Long by Chn 153.45

Wednesday Nov 12th
Light Baffling winds S.E to S.E Standing to the S.East
Lat by Obs 15.03 S
Long by Chn 153.07 West

Thursday Nov 13th Fresh Breezes from S.E accompanied with thunder & lightning Standing East & S.E latter part Rainy at 9 A.M. saw the Islands of Mauaura bearing S by East dist 25 Miles
Lat by Obs 16.00
Long by Chn 152.26 West

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Friday Nov 14th

Lat 18 Mer P Gain

twenty four hours fresh breezes from North and pleasant weather at 6 PM saw Land bearing about one Mile Distant from the Discovery Greenwich which is Inhabited. This Island lies 30 Miles West of the Position given in Arrowsmith Chart Latter part of the day very heavy Rain Steered S. Caught 25 Bbls Rain Water Lat by Chart 18.

Long by Chart 151.

Saturday Nov 15th

Fresh breezes from S.W & South with rain heading to the Southward and Eastward More Moderate towards Noon. Lat by 18 52 S

Long by 151 00

Sunday Nov 16th

Wind the same as on 15th Beating to the Southward Lat by Obs 19

Long 150 40

Monday Nov 17th

Wind from SE East Empty Barrels Lat by Obs 19.55

Tuesday Nov 18th

Very fine Weather with heavy Swell from South, Lat by Obs 20.17

Long By Ch 149 81

Wednesday Nov 19th

Light breezes from S. heading West at work about the Rigging

Lat by Obs 20.20 S

Long by Ch 150.7

Thursday Nov 20

Light breezes from E.S standing South with very fine Weather

Lat by Obs 21.03

Long by Ch 150.6

Friday Nov 21st

Light airs from S.E Being Still Wind set the up fore & Main Rigg

Lat by Obs 21.43

Long 150 36 West

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Saturday Nov 22d

Light breezes from North
steering S.W by S Employed setting up Rigging at 5 P.M
Saw the Island of Chetroa bearing S.W by S dist
by Estimation 50 Miles Latter part of the day
Moderate from N.West to S.S.E. by the South at 12
Meridian Island S.W 15 Miles Lat by Obs 22 18 S
Long by Chr 151. 15 W

Sunday Nov 23d

Fresh breze from S.East
throughout the day at 4 P.M Went on Shore and sent
off a few Potatoes and Bananas at 7 returned on Board
Stood off and on During the Night at 7 AM sent
in two Boats and in the Course of the day Procured
10 Bbls Yams 8 of Sweet Potatoes 50 Bunches Bananas
2 Boats Load of very good Wood and 1000 Cocoa
Nuts & Pine Apples &c. &c Est This Island
Contains about 400 Inhabitants Scattered over
different parts of the Island, the principal Village
is on the N.East Side with a passage just Wide
Enough for a Boat to row in between the Breakers
after which You enter a Sort of Basin where
then Land on a fine Sand Beach Close by a
Beautiful Stream of fresh Water, all the above
a Ship can procure with very little difficulty
Lat by Obs 22 26
Long by Ch 151. 23

Monday Nov 24th

Moderate from S.E at 3 P.M
Left Island and Made a Board to N.E at 10 P.M
tacked to the S.S.West at daylight passed 15 Miles
to the Westward of it Now Bound Home in Good
Earnest Strong Easterly Current all day
Lat by Obs 23 43 S
Long by Chr 151. 25

Tuesday Nov 25th

Light airs from South Latter
part Calm bent New Main top Gallant Sail and
fore topmast Staysail
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Lat by Obs 24 17 S
Long by Chr 151 50 do

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Wednesday Nov 26th
Light breezes from the
Eastward heading South bending New Sails
Lat by Obs 24 37 S
Long by Chr 151 45

Thursday Nov 27
Moderate breezes from
North steering S.S.E bent New set of Studding Sails
Lat by Obs 25 45 S
Long by Chr 151 42 W

Friday Nov 28th
Fresh breezes from N.N
steering S.S.East Empla Variously Lat by Obs 28 05
Long by Chr 150.5

Saturday Nov 29th
Strong breezes from
N.N.W steering S.E by S latter part of the day Lan
Lat by Alt 30,6
Long by Alt 150,00

Sunday Nov 30th
Fresh breezes from
N.W with rain and fog steering S.E by South
at 10 AM the Brig handled to the Westward
Lat by Alt 32 0
Long by Alt 149,0

Monday Dec 1st
Strong breezes from North
steering S.E under all sail Lat by Obs 33,58
Long by Chr 149.1

Tuesday Dec 2d
Brisk the same as the
N steering S.E by E Lat by Obs 35 11 S
Long by Chr 144 00 E

Wednesday Dec 3d
Strong breezes from
N.East steering E.S.E N latter part a
fine day Rainy Lat by Alt 36 46 S
Long by Chr 141 7

Thursday 4th
Brisk from North Blowi
steering E.S.E Lat by Obs 38 23
Long by Chr 138 47

Friday 5th
All the twenty four hours
fine weather steering E S E Got Lunar Obs
which made the Longitude 141.22 West
Long by Chr 141.7 W
Lat by Obs 39 11 S

Saturday 6th
Moderate from West
steering E S E Got Lunar Obs which Gave the
Long 137.39 Do by Chr 137.3 Lat by Obs 39.41 S

Sunday Dec 7th
Moderate breezes from North
throughout the day steering E S E per Compass at 4 P M
took a Lunar Obs which Gave the Longitude 135.20 West
Do by Chro 135.01 West Lat by Obs 40.32 S

Monday Dec 8th
Commences Moderate
breezes from North with Overcast Weather steering E S E
per Compass latter part of the day clear Weather
Lat by Obs 41.28 South
Long by Chr 131 22 West

Tuesday Dec 9th
Light breeze and clear Weather
steering E S E per Compass Wind from S West
Lat by Obs 42.13 S
Long by Chro 129.22 W

Wednesday Dec 10th
Light breezes from
S.E throughout the day heading N Ely. E Empld
variously
Lat by Obs 41.26 S
Long by Ch 128 00 W

Thursday Dec 11th
Light breezes from S East
heading S.E very fine Weather Carpenter at Work
planking Decks
Lat by Obs 42 27
Long by Chr 127.22 W

Friday Dec 12th
Light airs from N.E very
fine Weather latter part of the day Calm Empld Making
Rope
Lat by Obs 43 07 S
Long by Chro 126 58 West

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Saturday Dec 13th
Light airs from S. E
and Beautiful Weather Employed filleneing the Decks
Lat by Obs 44. 16 S
Long by Chron 125 40 W

Sunday Dec 14th
Light airs & Calms heading
S. E. Saw Great Many finbacks, very fine Weather
Lat by Obs 45 14 S
Long by Chn 125, 11 West

Monday Dec 15th
Mostly Calm Great Many finbacks
in Sight Latter part of the day Light breeze from East
and foggy
Lat by Chron 46. 30 S
Long by Chron 124. 50 W

Tuesday Dec 16th
Wind East and Rainy
Weather tacked to the N & W East Saw finbacks and
porpoises
Lat by Obs 46. 20 S
Long by Chron 124. 30 W

Wednesday Dec 17th
Fresh breezes from E by N
heading to North & East Employed Varnishing Saw Great
Many finbacks
Lat by Chron 45. 20 South
Long by Chron 122 40 West

Thursday Dec 18th Thanksgiving
Fresh Gales from S. S. E
Heading Eastward under Doubled Reefed Top Sails
Heavy Squalls and High Sea Lat by Obs 44. 30
Long by Chn 118. 9, 54

Friday Dec 19th
Moderate breezes from S S E
Thick Weather heading East Saw Many finback
Lat by Chron 44. 20 S
Long by Chron 115 20 W

Saturday Dec 20th
Moderate and very fine
Weather heading S & E Employed Overhauling

Lat by Chn 42 52
Long by Chn 115, 52

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Monday Dec 21st

Moderate breezes from W.N.W. steering S.E by E pr compass latter part of the day steering Lat by Alt 45.02 S
Long by do 112 00 W

Monday Dec 22d

Fresh breezes from S.W steering S.E by E weather hazy Lat by Obs 46.42 S
Long by Chn 109.52 W

Tuesday Dec 23d

1st part of the day fresh breezes from S.S.West and hazy, latter part Calm Lowered the Boats for Blackfish, heavy Swell from West
Lat by Alt 47.. 38 S
13658 Long by Alt 108.. 50 West

Wednesday Dec 24th

Moderate breezes from E.N.E. foggy weather heading S.E by S. Employed variously at 6 AM the wind hauled to the North Set the Studding Sails Lat by Obs 48.. 41 S
Long by Chn 107.. 13 W

Thursday Dec 25th

Fresh breezes from North steering S.E by E pr Compass latter part of the day Light Showers of rain

Friday Dec 26th

Strong breezes throughout the day steering E S E pr Compass Lat by Obs 51.. 55 South
Long by Chn. 101. 14 West
Do by D.R 101.. 4 West

Saturday Dec 27th

Strong breezes from West steering E by S pr Compass Saw More Birds to day than usual Ships Leak increases Pump 110 Strokes per hour
Lat by Obs 53 20 South
Long by Chn 97.. 50 West 10 AM
Do by D. Reckoning 97. 05 W

Sunday Dec 28th

Brisk Breezes from N W and Rainy steering E by S pr Compass Middle & latter part Strong Gales from W.S.West and very thick weather
Lat by Alt 54.. 58 South
Long by D. Reckoning 92 25 W

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Monday Dec 29th

Fresh Gales from West

Steering East for Compass under all Sail high Sea

Lat by Obs 55 47 South

Long by Chn 88.26 West

Long by D.R 87.20 West

Long by Chn 87 16 West

Tuesday Dec 30th

Strong breze from West and

squally Steering E by S Lat by Obs 56.20 S

Long by Chn 83 25 W

Long by D R 82.48 W

Thurs Wednesday Dec 31st

Strong breze from West

and squally at 3 PM Spoke Bark Mary Frazier

Latter part Fresh Gales Lat by Obs 56 43 S

at 4 PM water discoloured Long by Chn 78 09 W

Thursday Dec 31 Jan 1st 1846

All these twenty four

hours fresh Gales from West and squally

Steering E & E at 6 AM Single Reefed the topsails

Lat by Obs 56 55 S

Long by Chn 72 06

Friday Jan 2d

The 1st part of these

twenty four hours Strong breze from W. West and

squally Latter part Light breze and very fine

Weather Lat by Obs 56.58

Long by Chn 69.04

Saturday Jan 3d

Light breze from

S West and very fine Weather Steering S E

at 1.30 PM Saw the Land. Diego Ramirez

Bearing N 1/2 E pr Compass Dist 35 Miles

at 4 PM got altitudes for Chronometers and

found them very near Correct. the Land Bear

W.N.W pr Compass Long by Chn 68.40 West

Longitude by Bearing and Dist from the Land 68.45 West

at 4 PM Got Lunar Obs which Gave the Long 68.52 W

at 3 AM saw Cape Horn Bearing N W

Lat by Obs 56 13 S

Long by Chn 66.59 W

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Sunday Jan 4th

The 1st part of these twenty four hours Lowered the Boat and hove for a Current found none Latter part Strong breezes and Rainy Steering N E by N pr Compass Caught a porpoise

Long by Chn 63 04 W
Lat by Obs 55 13 S

Monday Jan 5th

Strong breezes from West Steering N.E by N and N.E & N Latter part of the day very Rainy pass Large quantity of Kelp

Lat by Chart 53.46 S
Long by Chart 59.16 W

Tuesday Jan 6th

Strong breezes from N N West and Rainy heading N.E at 12 Midnight the Wind Changed to the South at 8 AM Spoke Ship Dove of New Bedford 4 Months out. with one Right Whale Lat by Obs 52 24 S

Long by Chr 56 58 W

Wednesday Jan 7th

Wind from West and fine Weather Steering North Latter part Strong breezes from North and Rainy Weather Doubled Reefed the topsails

Lat by Chart 51 33 S
Long by Chart 55.40 W

Thursday Jan 8th

Hard Gales from North at 4 PM the wind Changed very Suddenly to S.West, blew the fore Sail to pieces at 7 Moderate bent another fore Sail Set the topsails Doubled Reefed and Steered N by E pr Compass heavy Squalls towards Noon

Lat by Chart 49 54
Long by Chart 52 50 W

Friday Jan 9th

This day Comes in with heavy Gales from S.West accompanied with heavy Squalls took in fore & Main topsails Reefed the fore Sail High Mountainous Sea on Run N.E until 5 PM or as long as we Could Steer the Ship with Safety then hove to. the Ships Makes very Bad Weather of it Shipped Several heavy Seas Stove the Water off Deck and found the 125 Mark Easier and More Safe

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Friday Jan 9th

at Sun right More Moderate kept the Ship off N by E set Double Reefed topsails
Lat by Obs 48. 38 South
Long by Chr 52 44 West

Saturday Jan 10th

More Moderate Lat all Sail the wind heading gradually to the North and Rainy at 6 P M Squally the wind heading back S & E Doubled Reefed the topsails Latter part Clear
Lat by Obs 46 24 S
Long by Chr 51. 38 W

Sunday Jan 11th

All this day very fine Weather Steering N N W Bound in on the Edge of the Bank to look for a Sperm Whale Saw Great Many finbacks
Lat by Obs 44 00
Long by Chr 52.25

Monday Jan 12th

Fresh breezes throughout the day from East, Steering N W by N pr Compass passed Several Strips of Green Weed
Lat by Alt 43 00 S
Long by Alt 53. 25

Tuesday Jan 13th

All these twenty four hours Fresh breezes from East and Cloudy Steering N N W at 4 P M Saw 3 Right Whales going Quick to the Eastward lowered the Boats but Could Not Get up with them
Lat by Alt 42. 50
Long by Alt 54.00

Wednesday Jan 14th

Wind S & E standing in to the North Overcast Weather Rattling down Main Sail Mast Rigging
Lat by Alt 41 30 S
Long by Chr 56. 57 W

Thursday Jan 15th

Strong breezes and Rainy Weather Bearing to the N E Latter part heavy Rain
Lat by Alt 41 45 S
Long by Alt 54. 20 W

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Friday Jan 16th

Fresh Gales and Rainy weather at 7 PM the Wind Changed to the westward latter part Fresh Gales and Cloudy Steering N.E by N with By a Glimpse of the Sun our Lat by Obs was 40.45 S
Long by Chn 53 00 W

Saturday Jan 17th

Gales from S West Steering N.E by North, we have Sailed all day in Green Water Saw Great Many porpoises, Sun Fish &c
Lat by Obs 38.44 S
Long by Ch 51.10 West

Sunday Jan 18th

Weather More Moderate Steering E N E to get out of the Green Water at 4 PM Blue Water again Latter part of the day Squally Wind S.E Steering N E by N Great Swell from South
Lat by Obs 37.54 South
Long by Ch 47.39 W

Monday Jan 19th

Strong breezes and Squally Steering N.E by N at 3 PM Spoke Bark Elizabeth of Mattapoisett Capt Daggett 18 Months out. Are not understand how much oil she had taken Wished me to Report them all well Latter part Moderate and fine Weather
Lat by Obs 36 02
Long by Chn 48 20 West

Tuesday Jan 20th

All these twenty four hours fine Weather steering N.E. at 6 AM saw Sperm Whales lowered 3 Boats at 12 Noon took a 90 Bbls Whale to the Ship
Lat by Obs 34 50 South
Long by Chn 47.45 West

Wednesday Jan 21st

Beautiful Weather hooked on and Cut in the Whale at 11 P.M. Commenced Boiling Ended the day
Lat by Obs 34.36 S
Long by Chn 47 50 West

Thursday Jan 22d

Very fine weather finished Boiling in all 90 Bbls Making Hole on Board 1100 Sperm and 32 00 Whale oil. Cleaned up Decks and Washed off
Lat by Obs 34.35 S Long by Chn 47.50 West

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Friday Jan 23

Light breezes from E & E standing to the North Stowed down our oil which completes filling the ship

Lat by Obs 34, 20 S
Long by Ch 47, 50 W

Saturday Jan 24th

Moderate and Pleasant the same as on the preceding day at 4 PM Spoke Ship American of Nantucket 82 days out Capt Boarded her and got some News papers

Lat by Obs 33, 39 S
Long by Ch 47 40 W

Sunday Jan 25th

Moderate breezes from E & S standing to the North saw Sperm Whales, Bound S.E. did not Lower the Boats let them pass Scotts free

Lat by Obs 32 40
Long by Ch 47, 34 W

Monday Jan 26th

Strong breezes from E & S E and Squally, heading N Each Empler Variously Ship Pitches heavily Ship a Great Deal of Water

Lat by Obs 31. 23 S
Long by Chr 46. 37 West

Tuesday Jan 27th

Strong breezes with a high Sea Single reefed the top sails Latter part of the day more moderate Set top Gallant Sail saw Great Many flying Squid

Lat by Obs 30. 14 South
Long by Ch 45. 28 W

Wednesday Jan 28th

Fresh breezes and pleasant weather heading N East Empler about the Rigging

Lat by Obs 28 55 South
Long by Chr 44. 42 West

Thursday Jan 29th

Strong breezes and Rigging weather heading N E by North Empler Variously

Lat by Obs 27. 22 South
Long by Chr 43 [illegible]

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Friday Jan 30th
Fresh Gales from E by S
heading W.N.W by W heavy Sea on
Lat by Obs 26.20
Long by Chr 44.00

Saturday Jan 31st
Close and Weather the same
as on the preceding day taken to the S.S.E latter
part Rainy
Lat by Ast 26 51
Long by Ast 43 52

Sunday Feb 1st
1st part of the day Moderate
latter part Calm heavey Sleety from the Eastward
Lat by Obs 27.41 S
Long by Chr 44.06

Monday Feb 2d
Winds from S.West Steering
East throughout the Saw Brig heading to the
Westward
Lat by Obs 27.42
Long by Chr 42.50

Tuesday Feb 3
Light breezes from South
Steering East Saw a Brig heading to the westward
Lat by Meridian Obs which Gave the Longitude
41.05 West Do by Chronometer 40.52 W
Lat by Obs 27.37 W

Wednesday Friday Feb 4th
Fresh breezes from
S.E heading E by N E and Cloudy Weather Saw
a Sail heading to the Westward
Lat by Obs 26 48 S
Long by Ast 39 00 W

Thursday Saturday Feb 5th
Fresh breezes from W by W
Steering E by E Empty Variously
Lat by Obs 26 02
Long 38 50 W

Friday Sunday Feb 6th
Winds from W.N.W and Rainy
Steering E by N Caught 10 Bbls of Rain Water
Lat by Obs 25 40
Long by Ch 37.00 W

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Saturday Feb 7th

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day Steers E by S
Lat by Obs 25 38
Long by Chr 35 20 W

Sunday Feb 8th

very fine Weather Wind from S & S. West heading S E by E saw 5 Ships in the Course of the day all heading the same way and out Sailed us Lat by Obs 25.20 S
Long by Chr 34.00

Monday Feb 9th

Beautiful Weather 5 Sail in Sight all on the same Course Exchanged Colours with 4 of them
Lat by Obs 24.39
Long by Chr 32 28

Tuesday Feb 10th

Wind the same as on the 9th Empty Getting Ship
Lat by Obs 22.54
Long by Chr 30 40

Wednesday Feb 11th

Fine Weather heading to the S E variously Empty
Lat by 21 40
Long by Chr 27.58

Thursday Feb 12th

Wind as usual heading E S E and W S West Lat by Obs 20 49
Long by 27. 24

Friday Feb 13th

Moderate breeze from East Steering S by West passed several Sail
Lat by Obs 20.00
Long by Chr 27.. 56

Saturday Feb 14th

Light breeze from S East heading S & W West empty variously
Lat by Obs 18 56 South
Long by Chr 28.. 50 West

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Sunday Feb 13th

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day heading S.E.D West main tying Spars

Lat by Obs 17. 44 S

Long by Chr 29. 22 West

Monday Feb 16th

Light breezes from E.N.E heading North main tying Spars

Lat by Obs 16. 12 S

Long by Chr 29. 41

Tuesday Feb 17th

Wind and Weather the same as on the preceding day heading S.b West Emplyd Bowing

Lat by Obs 14. 39 S

Long by Chro 30. 12 W

Wednesday Feb 18th

Light breezes from N.E and E.N.E heading N by West at 4 P.M Saw 3 Sperm Whales going quick to the S.E. Employed about the Rigging

Lat by Obs 13. 13 S

Long by Chro 30. 42 West

Thursday Feb 19th

Light Winds from E.N.E heading N.b.y W Emplyd as formerly

Lat by Obs 11. 24 S

Lunar 13 Miles East of Chro

Long by Chr 31. 12 West

Friday Feb 20th

Beautiful Weather took a Lunar Obs which Gave the Longitude 31.00 West & employed painting Ships

Lat by Obs 9. 38 S

Long by Chro 31. 24 W

Saturday Feb 21st

Moderate breezes from East and very pleasant. Employed painting Ships, Got Lunar Obs which Gave the Longitude 31. 28 West

Long by Chro 31. 42 West

Lat by Obs 7. 45 South

Sunday Feb 22

All this day Wind and Weather the same as on the 21st heading W.S.W Emplyd filling Ships

Lat by Obs 5. 59 S

Long by Chr 32 [illegible] W

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the day steering [illegible]
of the Made the Island of Jardinos a Bearing
Begins S by East distant by Estimation 35 Miles
at Noon the Island bore N. West 10 Miles

Lat by Obs 4.08 South
Long by Chro 32 05 West

On Tuesday Feb 24th

Light breezes throughout
day till passed the North Point of Rat Isl. Got
Altitudes for the Chronometers. the Pyramid Bearing
S.S.West dist 8 Miles which Gave the Longitude
32.15 Long of Chronometer 32.25 W. diff 15 Miles
& Latter part Employed pumping Ship freshen

Lat by Obs 2 33
Long by Chr 33.10

Wednesday Feb 25th

Light airs throughout
the day Steering N.W. pumping Ship Stow
a Buoy ahead Steering N.N.E
Strong Westerly Current

Lat by Obs 1.41 S
Long by Chr 34.30 W

On Thursday Feb 26th

Fresh breezes and
squally Steering N.N.West

Lat by Obs 8 Miles
Long by Chr 34 32

On Friday Feb 27th

Wind the same
as on the 24 Steering N.N.West Lay
Back to the Westward

Lat by Obs 1.24 N
Long by Chr 36 W

Saturday Feb 28th

Fresh breezes from S.E.
and Rainy Middle part Latter Light airs took
the N.E Trade Wind

Lat by Chr 2.30
Long by Chr 37.32

Sunday March 1st

Strong breeze from N.E by
Steering S.W light airs for

Lat by Obs 4.26 N
Long by Chr 38.40 W

[illegible] Weather the
Strong Breezes
Lat by Obs 6.26 N
Long by Ch 42 38 W

March 3rd
Strong breezes Steering
N by W Westerly Current past Many Ice
Lat by Obs 8.24
Long by Ch 44.44

Wednesday March 4th
Fresh breezes steering
N by W Dot current Obs which gave the Lon 15 min
West of Chronometer
Lat by Obs 10.29 N
Long by Ch 44 00

Thursday March 5th
Fresh breezes and cloudy
fine Weather Steering N by North Passed
the Ship indile Sale an English Bark Steering
S West
Lat by Obs 12 22 N
Long by Ch 47.54 W

Friday March 6th
Moderate throughout the day
Steering N W by North English Passing Ship
Lat by Obs 13.58 N
Long by Ch 49.32

Saturday March 7th
Light breezes throughout
the day Steering S W by W
Saw Ship Steering N W by N
Lat by Obs 13 38 N
Long by Ch 50 54 W

Sunday March 8th
While the same wind
the Preceding day Steering N W by N Lat by Obs
16.54 N Long by Ch. 52 48 W
Saw few Ships Gilly Bell

Monday March 9th
Moderate throughout
the day Steering N W & W Saw Brig Steering
West also Bark Steering from Left
up Main Rigging
Lat by Obs
Long by Ch

[illegible]

S. East & Steering [illegible] heard gun
[illegible] Long by Ch 5[illegible]

Wednesday March 11th
(Capt Wm Raisbeck) Light airs [illegible]
the same as on the preceding day [illegible]
Ship Lord Mulgrave 56 days from
Liverpool for New Orleans in want
of Water Supplied them with 5 [illegible]
fowl left them Lat by Obs 19 43
Long by Ch 55. 40

Thursday March 12th
Small from N E
Squally headline W West very Rugged
Ship & Great Deal of Water
Lat by Obs 21. 00
Long by 54. 20

Friday March 13
Rugged Weather
Squalling W West Saw Brig to leeward
heading same as ourselves
Lat by Obs 22 7 N
Long by Ch 58 12 W

Saturday March 14th
All these Twenty from
Lord Strong heises from E & E Steering
S West passed 9 Different Vessels running
the day Most of them flying West
Lat by Obs 24 00 S
Long by Ch 60. 10 W

Sunday March 15th
Weather More Moderate
heavy swell from S & E Steering S by W
had Great quantities of Sea weed
Lat by Obs 25. 10 S
Long by Chron 61. 18 W

Monday March 16th
Mostly Calm throughout
the day Steering S West Latter part
Light airs from S. S. West
Lat by Obs 25. 40 S Long by Chron 61. 5[illegible]

[illegible] Thompson

[illegible] March 1845

Begins moderate from West and fair fine weather steering N by W Later part strong breezes at 4 AM steer broad Degrees to the N West hull. Smart speed of Ship

Lat by Obs 27.20 N
Long by Chn 62 [illegible] W

Wednesday March 18th

Fresh Gales from N West heading N N East high Sea on at 10 A M wore to the N West

Lat by Obs 28 16
Long by Chn 62 00 W

Thursday March 19th

Fresh Gales from N West and cloudy heading N W West high Sea on

Lat by Obs 27.10 W
Long by Chn 63 [illegible]

Friday March 20th

Moderate from N West heading W by South at 2 P M passed a three masted Steam Ship steering S South

Lat by Obs 27.10 N
Long by Chn 64.40

Saturday March 21st

Wind the same as in the preceding day heading West Empties Barometer

Lat by Obs 27 08
Long by Chn 66 00

Sunday March 22

Wind and Weather continues same from N W by N steering W by South

Lat by Obs 26 40 N
Long by Chn 67 20 W

Monday March 23

Moderate from N N W Great trouble on heading N W by West from large quantities of Cast Weed

Lat by Obs 26 54 N
Long by Chn 68.31 [illegible]

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Tuesday March 24th

Light Breezes from N.E. to East & N.E. by E. at 6 A.M. set Studding Sails long heavy Swell from South

Lat by Obs 29. 16

Long by Ch. 69. 16

Wednesday March 25th

Strong breezes from S.S.E. Trimmed N by West Latter part Squally

Lat by Obs 29. 31 N

Long by Ch. 70. 14 W

Thursday March 26th

Strong breezes from S.S.East with heavy rain steering S.E. & West at 11 A.M. the Wind Shifted round Suddenly to the N.N.West in Topgallant Sails and Studding Sails

Lat by Ast 31. 41 N

Long by Ast 70. 35 W

Friday March 27th

Light Breezes from N.West and Overcast Weather at 5 P.M. a Woodpecker flew on Board, at Sunset the poor thing Attempted and went out of sight to the Westward at 7 P.M. the Wind Changed to the N.S.West, with a fine Breeze during the Night, at daylight it veered to the S.S.E. again Saw a Brig Steering South

Temp of Water 64

Lat by Obs 33 26 N

Long by Ch 70. 41 W

Saturday March 28th

P. Beautiful Weather at 8 P.M. the Wind Veered to the S.West. Set the Studding Sails Steering N by West at 9 P.M. Black Clouds rising in the S.West accompanied with Sharp Lightning and very Thunder look in all Sail Except Main Top Sail and fore sail. at 10 P.M. the Squall passed over raining and Blowing very heavily, Latter part fresh Breeze from N.West and pleasant Weather Saw two Ships

Lat by Obs 34 34 N

Temperature of Sea 64 Long by Ch. 70. 52 W

Sunday March 29th.

[illegible] fresh breezes from
W S W & hazy pleasant weather at 15 Minutes P.M
Spoke Ship Defence of Liverpool, from Savannah
Bound to Liverpool, His Longitude 70. 20 W, and
70. 45 West at daylight had Fresh Squall from West
accompanied with thunder and lightning afterwards
Calm with a tremendous Cross Sea on, the Seas
Broke as head and astern, at the same time
at Noon South Weather Lat by Obs 35. 53 N
Long by Chr 71. 52 W
at Noon — Temperature of Seawater 67.

Monday March 30

Commences Moderate breezes
from W S W, and fine Weather, at Sunset Black
Clouds appeared to the W S West took in the Small
Sails, at 6 P M temperature of Sea 67, at 7 P M
temp of Sea 71, at 8 P M 72. Supposed we have
Entered the Florida Stream at 9 P M wind
hauling Gradually around to South, with
heavy thunder and Sharp Lightning Double
reefed the Sails at 1 AM heavy Gale from
S S E at 2 AM Calm for a few Moments
then took a Gale from S S E Braced
around the Yards and Stood to the
S S West at daylight temp of Sea 72°
latter part fresh breezes and Cloudy weather
at Noon temp of Sea 72°
Lat by Obs 26 45 N
Long by Chr 72 17 West

Tuesday March 31st

Moderate breeze from N N East at 1 P M
Set all Sail at 2 P M tried the temperature of Water
and found it 69° at 4 P M tried it again and
found it had decreased some degrees in 65
at 6 P M tried the Thermometer again and found
it down to 62, During the afternoon the Ship
has been Sailing on a S S W by W Course at
the rate of three Knots per Hour, had some
Heavy Squalls, very Moderate during the Night
at Daylight breezes the temperature was found at 52

Ship Columbus of Liverpool Thompson

March 31st continued
the Water of a Dark Greenish Colour
Latter part Moderate Gales Very smooth
Sea saw a Dark Steering South
Lat by Obs 37.39 S
Long by Ch 73.04 W

April 1st
Light airs from South
heading W N West at 6 P M Nearly
Calm, Took the temperature of the Sea
and found it was to 48°. handed the
fore top Sail aback and Sounded
found no Bottom with 120 fathoms
Line right up and down Latter part
Beating to the N.E saw several Vessels
Black Mouth Looking Water
Temp of Sea 52° Lat by Obs 38 00 N
Long by Obs 73.

April 2d
Light breezes from S E East
and Clear Weather heading N.W by N and
E by South standing on the port
tack to the N.E at 3 P M got Lunar
Obs, got Seventeen Distances of the Sun
and Moon which gave me one watch
m 2 58 Wept. Long by Chron at the same time
73.14 Latter part Strong breezes and
Clear saw Several Small Craft Steering
to the Southward and Westward likewise
a Bark Steering N.W and a Large Ship
Steering South Lat by Obs 38 30
Long by Ch 73 20

Temp of Water 55°

April 3d
Moderate breezes from S E heading
N by W at 6 P M Sounded Bottom 40
fathoms the temperature of the Water at the
same time 41° Came Having the Lights
in the Morning Lowered down the Boat
and anchored her in 50 fathoms Water found Current
Running S by West 1½ Miles for hour a
Look Above from N N E Lat by Obs 38 40
Long by Ch 73 18 W

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Saturday April 24th

Begins strong breezes from N.E by N and Clear weather, takes 8 Different Reefs, Steers Different Courses, Latter part fresh Gales Continues reefed the Top Sails at 8 AM takes to the Mast, Passed some Wreck, and piece of timber temperature of water at 10 AM 45 air 41

Lat by Obs 39 00

Long by Chr 73. 1 West

Sunday April 25th

Fresh Gales from N E very Clear weather heading N N West at 4 PM Sounded, Bottom 35 fathoms Gray Sand intermixed with Black Specks and Yellow Pebbles temperature of Water at the same time was 41°, that of the air 41, on Nearly the Same

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June 1 1841

Spoke Cask 400 1 Month
22 Months out 100 bbls Whale Oil reports
Wm Hamilton Fisher 3100 " 4 Whales this season
California Fisher 1200 " 3 Whales the same
Obed Mitchel, Ming So Oil this season
Isaac Howland Jr So Oil this season
Euphrates Edwards 6 Whales this season
Magnolia Simmons Very little this season

June 17th

Saw Ship take Whale
Saw another Boiling

Saw Bellfoin Whale

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	North	East	
May 9th	Lat 40 50 N	Long 143 5	Temp Air 51 Temp of Sea 53
10th	41.34 N	143.34	Temp of Air 51° Temp of Sea in Blue Water 53. In Green Water 40°
11th	Lat 41.33 N	Long 143.5	In Green Water Temp of Sea 40° of Air 52 Sounded no Bottom 120 fathom
12th	Lat 40.50 N	Long 142.50	In Blue Water Temp of Sea 53° Wind from North, Air 49°

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Ocean Sandwich Isl Sept 18/44

Mr Cash Bay

Sir We arrived here on the 10 ult from the N W Coast, having taken 1300 bbls Whale Oil during the season, filling now on Board 2800 bbls (viz) 700 Sperm 2100 Whale Oil We came in here for the purpose of Coopering our Oil, fit Ship, and recruit for another Season on the Line. I have been under the necessity of discharging Mr Norton by the Request of all My Officers and greater part of My Crew, I will have given him an Order on You for his Share of 650 bbl Sperm and 1500 bbls Whale Oil which if you shall settle with him You will please deduct my Bill Twenty five Dollars and Eighty Cents. In Addition to what Debts you may have against him I have had to discharge several of My Crew on act of Sickness, And many have deserted from the Ship, Consequently have to Ship and discharge Men at every Port and purchase their oil. which requires a Considerable amount of Money, and having none on hand at this present time I have been Compelled to draw on You for Eight Hundred and forty Dollars, What You will please accept and Charge the act of Ship Mr Thompson, I have shipped by the Big Globe Capt Soane Thirteen Thousand Pounds Whale Bone Consigned to Your order; the rest have this Port in all December. Mr Baker is now acting as Mate of the Ship and will take Advantage Every Gale until I get among Whales, then he is good for Nothing. I am very Sorry to say that out of the 28 ft Wh we have taken he has not been near ~~him to~~ a Whale to kill him during the Voyage

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[illegible] on Boards [illegible]

[illegible] Sun [illegible] Sun [illegible] Moon [illegible] Moon [illegible]

13.57.62	56.35	40.55	76.56.15	
Rate 1 44 51	12	20	Index Corr 41	S.D
12.15.01	56.47	40.35	76.55.34	[illegible]
			16.12	[illegible]
			16.06	[illegible]
4884-4884				
10,07750,1867		App Dist	77.27.52	
9,9895-106530			4.9 54	H Par[illegible]
0,5554 1.3281			5.8 27	58.2[illegible]
			1 34	
		True Dist	76.47.47	
			76 40 51	1 4143
			6.56 =	2757

Mean Time at Greenwich 12 13.5 = 1,1386
So by Chron " " 12 15 1
Lunar 29 Miles East of Chron 1.56

Lunar Obs Taken Oct 17th 1844

Time Chron	Sun Alt	Moon Alt	App Dist	
2 23.42	51.12	22 02	101.58 15	S Lunar
25 33	50.44	22 34	57 00	15 28
27 26	50.16	23.02	102 00.00	7
12 25.34	50.44	22.33	101.59.5	15.35
Rate 1 45 12	12	20	Index Corr 41	
12.40 22	50.56	22.13	101 58 24	H Parallax
		Suns S.D	16 12	56 47
	P Log	P Log	Moons S.D	15 35
	50101	50111	App Dist	102.30.11
	10.1099	10.4224		4.14.51
	9.9896	106542		4 55.14
	0,6006	1.5777		2 51
			True Dist	101.43.07
			101 23 00	3024
			20.07	9517

Mean time by Lunar 12.40.22 = 4493
Chronometer 12.40.22

Equal

Chro 11. 51 43	Suns alt 70 57	Moon 49 13	56. 8. 00
52 46	1. 8	48 55	7. 30
53. 36	71. 15	46. 35	7. 00
11. 52 48	71. 5	48 55	56. 7. 30
2 45 35	12	20	40
9. 07. 17	71. 20	48. 35	56. 6 50
			15 51
			14 58
			56. 37. 39
			3. 58. 39
			5 26. 43
			1. 5
			56. 04. 06
			56. 8 22 9th E.U
			4 16

Suns S.D 15. 51. Moon	5221	5221	
Moons True S.D 14. 58	10. 0235	10. 1250	
S.D.P 54. 6	9. 9218	10. 1814	
	0. 4674	0. 8285	

1. 6252
3470
1. 2782

Time at Greenwich 9. 9. 29
9
2 4 12
Diff - - 2 12

Aug 29th Sea Acct

Chro 14. 35 52	61. 55	23. 23	44 17. 24
2 45 44	12	20	Sextant 40 Error
11. 50 08	62. 07	23. 03	44. 16. 44

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Good Sperm Whale Ground on the
[illegible]
from 28, [illegible] 28 [illegible]

Good Ground off Lucy Rock
The Islands bearing South [illegible]

Good Whale Ground again
in Long 165.00 East and Lat
from 32.40, to 33 20 North the Ship
California Capt Lawrence took 400 Bl
in August 1844

Good Sperm Whale Ground in Lat 42.00 S
Long 120.00 We

Good Right Whale Ground in 44 00 S
and Longitude from 144 00 to 150.00 West

	Lat 43.50 N	Long 163.15 W	Lance
	45.14	162.1[illegible]	Dem[illegible]
	55.21	151.40	Hardy & Wales
	51.50	161.27	Nobleven

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[illegible] to have
[illegible] and honour there
[illegible] above
with the Cross of Christ [illegible]
[illegible]

Given under our Hands
The 28th December 1843

[illegible]

William R Norton
Hallet Baker
J. J. Stacy

In Running for Pernambuco
Bring the Light House to Bear West and Run
for it When in 9 fathoms of Water Anchor

Shoal Discovered By Ship Maria Theresa
Capt Taber In Latt 43° 00 S Long 151. 12 West

July 26 1843

A wager laid between
Wm R Norton and A G Ellis five dollars that
we will get 1500 bbls of oil during the next
cruise on the N West Coast. Wm R Norton says
that we will A. G. Ellis that we will not

A. G. Ellis
Wm R Norton

A wager laid between Sylvester Stacy and
A. G. Ellis of five dollars that we will get 1800 bbls
of oil during the present season on the N West Coa
Sylvester Stacy says we will get it A. G. Ellis
that we will not

A. G. Ellis

Witness At Sea June 2 1843 " " " "
Wm R Norton

A Wager laid between A. G. Ellis and
Sylvester Stacy of five Dollars that we will
get 1500 bbls oil during the present season
on the North West Coast Sylvester Stacy says
we will get it A. G. Ellis that we will not

Witness } At Sea May 10 th 1844
Wm R Norton } A. G. Ellis

A wager laid between A. G. Ellis and
A. G. Ellis of two dollars that we will get 200 bbls
of sperm oil during the present season on the
Line, A. G. Ellis says we will get it, A. G. Ellis
that we will not

At Sea Dec 6 th 1844
A. G. Ellis

A Wager laid between A. G. Ellis and Sylvester
Stacy of ten dollars, that we will get Seven more Right
Whales this present Season on the N West Coast Sylvester
Stacy says we will, A. G. Ellis that we will not

Witness At Sea May 26 th 1845
A. G. Ellis

	[illegible]	[illegible]			
[illegible]	[illegible] 16	150 24	[illegible]		
[illegible]	[illegible] 40	150 20	[illegible]		
[illegible]	53 5	149 30	[illegible]	[illegible]	
10	53 55	149 20	Mr Baker	Irons Drew	
11	53 16	148 51	Benj Smith	[illegible]	
12	53 20	149 00		Missed	
13	53 55	149 20	Mr Baker	Irons Drew	
14	53 28	149 15	" " "	Irons Drew	
15	53 47	148 40	" " "	Not Strike	
16	54 00	148 51	Benj Smith	~~did not Strike~~	1 Whale 130
17	54 10	148 20	Mr Salery	Missed	
18	54 20	148 10	" " "	Could not Strike	
19	54 35	147 7	" " "	Irons Drew	
20	54 46	147 42	" " "	Half Missed or	Half fastened t
21	55 00	147 36	We see so many Whales		
22	55 10	148 02	it is almost impossible		
23	55 02	148 00	to tell Who raises them		
24	55 06	148 10	" " " "	Irons Drew	
25	55 1	148 42	" " " "	Irons Drew	
26	55 00	148 56	" " " "	did not Strike	
27	54 47	149 11	" " "	did not Strike	
28	54 40	149 20	Cannot get near them with		
29	54 32	149 25	the Boats		
30	54 40	148 50			
31	54 55	148 40	Come Down		
June 1	54 35	148 20			
2	55 00	148 11			
3	55 10	149 00			
4	55 20	149 10		1 Whale	170
5	55 18	149 20			
8	55 00	149 00			
15	55 20	150 09			
16	55 10	149 48		1 Whale	
August 3	53 40	148 00	From the 25th of June to the 7th of Ju		
4	52 20	148 25	saw most of the Whales between the		
5	51 34	149 02	Lat of 55 40 to 56 05 N and Long 146 00		
6	51 50	149 05	to 147 30 W after that the Whales all		
			disappeared. Saw no more Whales until		
			3d of August in Lat 53.40 to 51.34 N and Long		
			148.00 to 149. West - all Bull Whales as nea		
			as we could judge		

Account of Shared Mow

Spun

				B. & G.	No. of Breaken
	March 6			53.20	
	[illegible] 12			33.00	13
	Dec 21st			53.00	4
1844	Jan 12th			145.11	32
	[illegible]			88 00	11
	Feb 6th			28.05	6
	Feb 14th			401.10½	.....
	Feb 15th			75.00	16
	" 22d			46.00	2
	March 8th			42 00	2
	March 18th		679	70.00	28 115
Dec 6	Dec 6th		94	40.5	3
1845 Jan	January 6th		773	26.00	
	January			27 25	
	January 25th			102 19	4
	February 21st			33 9	3
March	March 12			24.00	
1846	April 30			54.17	
Jan 22	Jan 22			80.00	35

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1845	[illegible]						
Jan 27	Hatts Head W		[illegible]	Barrels	No.		
" 27	S			55			L.B
	N. 4.00	128.30	Cook	35	1		L.B
Jan 20	00.20 S	140.02	Cooper		1		
Apr 21st	00.40	139.48	Simpra Lima	13			L.B
" 24	00 3/4	139.46	Mr Stuart & Hatch	5	2		B.B
Dec 6th	6.00 S	139.20	Nathan Aldrich	20	1		S.B
Jan 4th	2.50	156.35	Spermgam	30	1		S.B
" 6	1.47	157.33	Babbet	35	1		S.B
" 7	1.43	157.35	Antonio Albers	18	1		W.B
8	1.07	158.00	Simpra Lima	34	2	Have not the time	
Jan 10	2.58	158.10	Francisco	33	2	to bring to a	
Jan 19	3.45	158.00	Bill Howe	too late	did not	lower	L.B
Jan 22	3.40	157.32	Nathan Aldrich	40	1		
Jan 30	4.28	157.34	Nathan Aldrich	25	1		S.B
Jan 31	4.22	157.38	Francisco pd $15.00	65	2	S.B	L.B
Feb 7	4.36	155.42	Nathan Aldrich	55	2	S.B	L.B
Feb 9	4.52	156.22	Nathan Aldrich	40	1	S.B	
Feb 13	4.06	156.25	Nathan Aldrich	20	2	L.B	W.B
Feb 14	4.00	157.22	Alden G. Ellis	40	1	W.B	
Feb 18	3.27	158.23	Nathan Aldrich	too far off	did not	lower the Boat	
Feb 25	2.55 S	158.56	Spermgam	35	2	W.B	S.B
March 12	21.55 S	160.23	Nathan Aldrich	65	2		
March 16	21.50 S	156.42	5 miles from Cuchow Spermgam	24	1		
Nov 14th	5.12 S	156.12	Mr Ellis	too late	for	these	
Dec 2d	5.45	157.27	Frank Millmay	50	2	W.B	Sir bound Boat B.
" 6	4.10	158.08	Mr Ellis	did not	get near	them	
14	5.27	156.35	John Hall	25	1	B.B	
29	4.53	157.23	Mr Ellis	Lost a 40	Bbl	Whale	
1845 Jan 9	4.44	155.38	Cook	30	1	S.B	
10	4.44	155.46	Mr Ellis	30	Bbl	Whale	Irons	Crew
14	5.15	156.09	Alden G Ellis	Raised them from off deck			
18	4.46	156.40	John Hall	did not	lower	the Boat	
20	4.35	156.50	Bill Howe	80	2	W.B	S.B.
25	4.38	156.9	Jose Antonio	did not	get near		
4	5.27	154.51	Mr Ford	Sunset.	too late	for	the
Feb 9	2.37	155.38	John Pahita	42	1	S.B	
March 19	56 S	155.6	Nathan Aldrich	26	1	L.B	
23d	20.10	155.10	Mr Handy	61	1	L.B	

		18	
		107	
		120	
	15	75	
	11	200	
	15	155	

Cash on Hand Nov 15th 1845 $42 37½
Deposited Nov 23 2 25

44	Whale Oil Stowell Brown		1360	Bwk
	April 25th " " "		101	
	June 2 " "		168	14
	June 13th		98½	12
	June 25th		97	6
	June 26th		93½	5
	July 9th		164	
	July 15th		144 " 18	14
	" " 16th		22	
	August 1st " " "		126 16	15
	August 17th		11 09	1
	August 19th		52 12	
			991 "	81
				15
1845	May 10th		54 " 17	405
	May 23			81
	for 81 Bwkers		108 24	1215
	June 16th		46 00	81 Bwk
	June 18		112 00	5
	June 22		80	
	July 17th		116	
	July 18		188	
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In May and June
Good ground for Right Whales In Lat 48, 0
and Longitude from 180 to 161 east. In July
and August you will find them off St Peters
and St Pauls Harbour Kamschatka 90 fa
the Land to the Shore Also Good Weather
during those Months

I am informed by Capt Peters of Ship
France there is several fine Small Bay
to the Southward of St Pauls Harbour
where a Ship May anchor and lie safe
until the Month of September and plen
of Right Whales. The above mentioned Bay
lies in Lat from 52 to 53 North

1843
Aug 15 Opened one bag of twine for use

Harbour of St Peters and St Paul Kamschat

1st In Going into the above place keep the
Larboard Shore on Board.

2d You will see three rocks. Which you
will leave on your Starboard Hand
in going up the Harbour. When abreast of
you may anchor, or in fact you may anchor
in any part of the Bay after passing it to Port
as I am Informed by Capt Mick.

Information furnished by MILO CALKIN, Esq., U. S. Com. Agent at Lahaina.

PORT OF LAHAINA—MAUI.

ARRIVED.

12th inst.—Barque Smyrna, Miller, New Bedford 32 months; 1000 sperm. Ships Hercules, Ricketson, New Bedford 29 months; 400 sperm, 900 wh., 16,000 lbs. bone: Roman, Shockly, New Bedford 13 months; 400 sperm, 2700 whale, 25,000 lbs. bone.

13th inst.—Ship Ansel Gibbs, West, Fairhaven 15 months; 350 sperm, 2250 whale, 26,000 lbs. bone.

14th inst.—Ships Caledonia, Forsyth, Stonington 14 months; 1500 whale, 14,000 lbs. bone: Rosseau, Brayton, New Bedford 41 months; 1300 sperm, 1000 whale, 8000 lbs. bone.

16th inst.—Ships Benj. Tucker, Sands, New Bedford 9 months; 70 whale, 2200 sperm, 21,000 lbs. bone: Triad, Case, Greenport 13 months, 100 sperm, 2500 whale, 24,000 lbs. bone. Barques Columbia, Edwards, Sag Harbor 14 months; 140 sp., 2200 whale, 22,000 lbs. bone: Pantheon, Taber, New Bedford 39 months; 700 sperm, 700 whale, 5000 lbs. bone.

17th inst.—Ships Robert Bowne, Fitch, New London 23 months; 200 sperm, 4500 whale, 26,000 lbs. bone: Magnet, Munro, Warren 15 months; 2300 whale, 20,000 lbs. bone: Obed Mitchel, Coffin, Nantucket 36 months; 1000 sperm: Harrison, Smith, New Bedford 37 months; 1200 sperm, 1550 whale, 20,000 lbs. bone: George & Mary, Baker, New London 14 months; 60 whale, 3000 sperm, 25,000 lbs. bone: Parachute, Cole, New Bedford 16 mos.; 2100 whale, 25,000 lbs. bone: Adaline, Cole, New Bedford 16 months; 80 sperm, 1450 whale, 12,000 lbs. bone: New England, Pendleton, New London 13 months; 90 sperm, 2500 whale, 25,000 lbs. bone. Barque Autumn, Mady, New-York 19 months, 60 sperm; 1700 whale, 15,000 lbs. bone. Several ships coming in. 147

PORT OF HONOLULU.

ARRIVED.

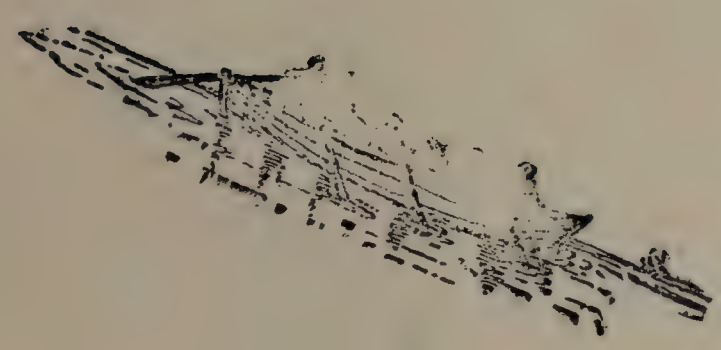
Feb. 22, H. M. S. Dublin, from Tahiti.
Feb. 22, H. M. S. Modeste, Ballie, from Mazatlan.
Feb. 23, Am. brig Chenamus, Couch, Newburyport.
Feb. 26, Brem. ship Sophie, Hoyer, from cruize.
Feb. 27, Eng. barque Columbia, from Col. River.

SAILED.

Feb. 23, Fr. ship Fanny, Duval.
Feb. 22, Am. ship Maria Theresa, Tabor, New Bedford, 19 mos., 2100 w.
Feb. 28, schooner Hooikaika, for Mazatlan.
March 1, H. M. ships Dublin, for Valparaiso, and Hazard, for Sydney.

Dangerous Reef, was discovered by Capt. Tabor, commanding Maria Theresa, on the 16th of Nov. last, in S. L. 37°, and W. L. 151° 13′. Capt. T. does not find it laid down on any charts which he has fallen in with since the discovery.

Port of Hilo, Hawaii.—Arrived, Jan. 16, ship Commodore Preble, Lynn, Ludlow, 17 mos., 1030 w. and 70 sp —Feb. 13, ship Nantasket, N. London, Smith, 7½ mos., 700 sp. Capt. Smith is accompanied by his wife and three children—all in health. 147



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